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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

2 TUESDAY, JULY 13, 2004]

3 There is no reportable action as a result of the Board of
4 Supervisors' closed session held today.

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8 [GAVEL]

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE RISE. WE WILL BE LED
11 IN OUR INVOCATION BY THE REVEREND NORIAKI ITO, HEAD MINISTER,
12 LOS ANGELES HOMPA BUDDHIST TEMPLE AND WE'LL BE LED IN THE
13 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY LOUIS RIVERA, ADJUTANT OF POST NUMBER
14 508 OF THE AMERICAN LEGION.

15

16 **REVEREND NORIAKI ITO:** GOOD MORNING. IT IS WITH GREAT HONOR
17 THAT I RECEIVE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT A MEDITATION HERE
18 TODAY. A KEY TEACHING IN MY TRADITION IS THAT OF
19 INTERDEPENDENCE. THOUGH WE ARE ALL UNIQUE AND LIVING
20 INDIVIDUAL LIVES, FUNDAMENTALLY, WE ARE INTERCONNECTED. FOR
21 HAPPINESS, FOR FULFILLMENT TO BE COMPLETE, EVERY OTHER LIFE
22 MUST ALSO BE FULFILLED. THIS TEACHING, WHICH ENCOURAGES NOT
23 ONLY TOLERANCE BUT ACCEPTANCE AND RESPECT FOR DIVERSITY IS
24 EXTREMELY IMPORTANT IN THE MULTICULTURAL SETTING OF LOS
25 ANGELES. IT IS EQUALLY IMPORTANT IN THIS AGE IN WHICH WE TEND



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1 TO SEPARATE OURSELVES FROM PEOPLE LIVING IN COUNTRIES ON THE
2 OTHER SIDE OF THE WORLD. AROUND THIS SAME TIME 2,500 YEARS AGO
3 THAT THIS TEACHING WAS PRESENTED IN INDIA. AN EXCEPTIONAL MAN,
4 DIOGENES, MADE A SIMILAR STATEMENT, "I AM NOT AN ATHENIAN OR A
5 GREEK BUT A CITIZEN OF THIS WORLD". THIS TEACHING IS
6 REINFORCED IN A POEM WRITTEN BY A CONTEMPORARY BUDDHIST
7 TEACHER CALLED, "PLEASE CALL ME BY MY TRUE NAMES." DON'T SAY
8 THAT I'LL DEPART TOMORROW. EVEN TODAY, I STILL ARRIVE. LOOK
9 DEEPLY. EVERY SECOND I ARRIVE TO BE A BUD ON A SPRING BRANCH,
10 TO BE A TINY BIRD WITH STILL FRAGILE WINGS, LEARNING TO SING
11 IN MY NEW NEST, TO BE A CATERPILLAR IN THE HEART OF A FLOWER,
12 TO BE A JEWEL HIDING ITSELF IN A STONE. I STILL ARRIVE IN
13 ORDER TO LAUGH AND TO CRY, TO FEAR AND TO HOPE. THE RHYTHM OF
14 MY HEART IS THE BIRTH AND DEATH OF ALL THAT ARE ALIVE. I AM A
15 MAYFLY METAMORPHOSING ON THE SURFACE OF THE RIVER AND I AM THE
16 BIRD THAT SWOOPS DOWN TO SWALLOW THE MAYFLY. I AM A FROG
17 SWIMMING HAPPILY IN THE CLEAR WATER OF A POND AND I AM THE
18 GRASS SNAKE THAT SILENTLY FEEDS ITSELF ON THE FROG. I AM THE
19 CHILD IN UGANDA, ALL SKIN AND BONES, MY LEGS AS THIN AS BAMBOO
20 STICKS, AND I AM THE ARMS MERCHANT SELLING DEADLY WEAPONS TO
21 UGANDA. I AM THE 12-YEAR-OLD GIRL REFUGEE ON A SMALL BOAT WHO
22 THROWS HERSELF INTO THE OCEAN AFTER BEING RAPED BY A SEA
23 PIRATE, AND I AM THE PIRATE, MY HEART NOT YET CAPABLE OF
24 SEEING AND LOVING. I AM A MEMBER OF THE POET BUREAU WITH
25 PLENTY OF POWER IN MY HANDS AND I AM THE MAN WHO HAS TO PAY



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1 HIS DEBT OF BLOOD TO MY PEOPLE, DYING SLOWLY IN A FORCED LABOR
2 CAMP. MY JOY IS LIKE SPRING, SO WARM IT MADE FLOWERS BLOOM ALL
3 OVER THE EARTH. MY PAIN IS LIKE A RIVER OF TEARS SO VAST IT
4 FILLS THE FOUR OCEANS. PLEASE CALL ME BY MY TRUE NAME SO I CAN
5 HEAR ALL OF MY CRIES AND LAUGHTER AT ONCE, SO I CAN SEE THAT
6 MY JOY AND PAIN ARE ONE. PLEASE CALL ME BY MY TRUE NAME SO I
7 CAN WAKE UP AND THE DOOR OF MY HEART CAN BE LEFT OPEN, THE
8 DOOR OF COMPASSION. MAY THIS INSPIRE US TO LEAD BY EXAMPLE, TO
9 RESPECT THE DIGNITY OF ALL OTHERS AND TO CONTINUE TO WORK
10 TOWARDS BRINGING TOGETHER A BRIGHTER FUTURE OF PEACE,
11 HAPPINESS, AND FULFILLMENT FOR ALL IN THIS GREAT COUNTY OF LOS
12 ANGELES AND IN THE WORLD THAT WE SHARE. THANK YOU.

13

14 **LOUIS RIVERA:** WOULD YOU PLEASE REMAIN STANDING, PLACE YOUR
15 RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND JOIN ME IN PLEDGING ALLEGIANCE
16 TO OUR FLAG. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE]

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU. MR. CHAIRMAN, IT'S MY PLEASURE THIS
21 MORNING TO PRESENT A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO REVEREND
22 NORIAKI ITO. REVEREND ITO IS THE HEAD MINISTER OF THE HAGASHI
23 HONGWANJI TEMPLE IN LITTLE TOKYO WHERE HE HAS SERVED SINCE
24 1975. HE CAME TO THE UNITED STATES WITH HIS FAMILY FROM JAPAN
25 IN 1948, SETTLING IN THE _____ HEIGHTS AREA. HE



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1 GRADUATED FROM ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL AND THEN WENT ON TO
2 OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE. HE MOVED TO KYOTO, JAPAN, WHERE HE BECAME
3 FULLY ORDAINED IN SHIN BUDDHISM. AFTER SERVICE IN INDIA, ASIA,
4 AND THE MIDDLE EAST AS WELL AS EUROPE, REVEREND ITO RETURNED
5 TO THE UNITED STATES. IN ADDITION TO HIS TEMPLE
6 RESPONSIBILITIES, REVEREND ITO REMAINS VERY ACTIVE IN NUMEROUS
7 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE LOS ANGELES BUDDHIST
8 CHURCH FEDERATION, THE L.A.P.D. CLERGY FORUM, THE JAPANESE
9 CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY CENTER AND LITTLE TOKYO BOARD OF
10 DIRECTORS AS WELL AS VARIOUS LEADERSHIP POSITIONS. THANK YOU
11 SO MUCH FOR LEADING US THIS MORNING IN OUR INVOCATION,
12 REVEREND ITO. [APPLAUSE]

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, THIS MORNING, WE HAD LOUIS RIVERA, WHO
15 IS A RESIDENT OF COVINA, LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
16 AND HE'S THE ADJUTANT OF THE BORGUEN POST NUMBER 508 OF THE
17 AMERICAN LEGION. HE SERVED DURING WORLD WAR II IN THE CHINA
18 OKINAWA THEATRE WITH THE UNITED STATES ARMY AIR FORCE, AND
19 THAT WAS THE 373RD SQUADRON, 14TH AIR FORCE, WHERE HE RECEIVED
20 THE ARMY GOOD CONDUCT, THE PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION, THE
21 CHINA SERVICE MEDAL WITH BRONZE STAR AND THE ASIATIC PACIFIC
22 CAMPAIGN MEDAL WITH BRONZE STAR AND THE WORLD WAR II VICTORY
23 MEDAL AND THE NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL. HE'S A RETIRED
24 ENGINEER, HE'S MARRIED WITH THREE CHILDREN AND HIS EDUCATION
25 WAS AT BENJAMIN FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL IN NEW YORK. SO, LOU,



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1 THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN AND LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE OF
2 ALLEGIANCE. [APPLAUSE]

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AS WE PREPARE TO PROCEED WITH THE AGENDA,
5 JUST A FEW HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS. FIRST OF ALL, WE'D LIKE TO-- WE
6 HAVE THE MEMBERS OF OUR CIVIL GRAND JURY WITH US TODAY TO
7 OBSERVE, AND WE'D LIKE TO WELCOME ALL OF YOU HERE TO THE BOARD
8 MEETING. ALSO, IN MY DISTRICT, WE ARE HOSTING THE OLYMPIC SWIM
9 TRIALS IN LONG BEACH, AND JUST A POINT OF INTEREST, AS THESE
10 WORLD RECORDS ARE BROKEN. IT WAS DISCOVERED LAST WEEK THAT OUR
11 LOS ANGELES COUNTY LIFEGUARDS, SINCE 1920, HAVE HAD AT LEAST
12 ONE MEMBER OF THE OLYMPIC SWIM TEAM OR EVENTS, EITHER WATER
13 POLO, MEMBERS OF OLYMPIC TEAMS SINCE 1920, AND WE HAVE A
14 CURRENT MEMBER OF THE U.S. MEN'S WATER POLO TEAM, TOO. SO
15 THAT'S PRETTY HISTORIC FOR OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY LIFEGUARDS
16 AND HATS OFF TO THEM. [APPLAUSE]

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, ALSO, WE HAVE WITH US THIS
19 MORNING THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT GROUP,
20 THE STUDENTS FROM THE VALLEY AND THEY ARE HERE. IF THEY'D
21 PLEASE STAND UP. I MET WITH THEM THIS MORNING AND TALKED TO
22 THEM ABOUT GOVERNMENT AND WE APPRECIATE THEIR COMING DOWN WITH
23 THEIR TEACHERS. [APPLAUSE]

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WITH THAT, WE'LL PROCEED WITH THE AGENDA.



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2 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
3 BOARD. WE'LL BEGIN ON PAGE 2. ON ITEM CS-2, THE COUNTY COUNSEL
4 REQUESTS A ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

7

8 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON PAGE 6, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
9 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEM 1-D.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY
12 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING
15 AUTHORITY, ITEMS 1-H THROUGH 3-H.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED BY
18 THE CHAIR. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

19

20 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL
21 PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEM 1-P.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY
24 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 6.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE CHAIR
4 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

5

6 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, ITEMS 7 THROUGH
7 9.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY
10 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

11

12 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICE, ITEMS-- I'M
13 SORRY, 10 THROUGH 12. ON ITEM NUMBER 11, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR
14 KNABE. THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
17 ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
18 SO ORDERED.

19

20 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** FIRE DEPARTMENT, ITEM 13.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY THE
23 CHAIR. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

24



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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEALTH SERVICES, ITEMS 14 THROUGH 16. ON
2 ITEM NUMBER 14, THE DIRECTOR REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE
3 REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED. ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY
6 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT
7 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MENTAL HEALTH, ITEM 17.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE CHAIR
12 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PARKS AND RECREATION, ITEM 18.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY
17 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

18

19 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PUBLIC WORKS, ITEMS 19 THROUGH 29.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE CHAIR
22 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

23

24 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK, ITEM 30.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED BY
2 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

3

4 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SHERIFF, ITEMS 31 THROUGH 36. MR.
5 CHAIRMAN, ON ITEM NUMBER 32, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS
6 THAT THE ITEM BE HELD, AND IT'S NOTED ON THE GREEN SHEET THAT
7 IT SHOULD BE REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT, BUT I HAVE A
8 NOTE FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. I'M SORRY, I CAN'T READ
9 THE WRITING.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** (OFF-MIKE).

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NOT A GOOD SIGN.

14

15 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** OH. CONTINUED TO AUGUST 3RD, 2004.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

18

19 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WANTED TO HOLD
20 THAT.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY DON'T WE HOLD IT AND THEN WE CAN MOVE
23 TO...

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY, WE'LL HOLD IT, THEN WE'LL CONTINUE IT
2 TO AUGUST 3RD.

3

4 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** OKAY. THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
7 BURKE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
8 SO ORDERED.

9

10 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR, ITEM 37.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, THE CHAIR WILL
13 SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

14

15 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION, ITEMS 38 THROUGH
16 40.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
19 BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

20

21 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** BUDGET MATTERS, 41 AND 42. ON ITEM NUMBER
22 41, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS A ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE. ON
23 42, I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE INTO THE RECORD. "AN ORDINANCE
24 AMENDING TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATION TITLE 5 PERSONNEL AND TITLE 6
25 SALARIES OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE BY MAKING TECHNICAL



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1 CHANGES TO THE PROCEDURES FOR RECRUITMENT AND EVALUATION OF
2 CANDIDATES FOR DEPARTMENT HEADS. AND TECHNICAL CHANGES AND
3 CORRECTIONS TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE COUNTY SECURITY PROGRAM,
4 AND BY MAKING TECHNICAL CHANGES AND TO REFLECT POSITIONS
5 INCLUDED IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2004/2005 PROPOSED BUDGET." THAT
6 ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ITEM 41 IS CONTINUED TO NEXT WEEK, THE
9 20TH, AND ITEM 42, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY
10 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

11

12 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.
13 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGINS WITH SUPERVISORIAL
14 DISTRICT NUMBER 2.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** BEFORE WE DO THAT, SUPERVISOR BURKE, I HAVE
17 A COUPLE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL CORPS THAT WE'D LIKE TO...

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** I'D LIKE TO CALL UP MEMBERS...

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** EXCUSE ME. I JUST-- WE HAD A COUPLE
22 PRESENTATIONS HERE. TODAY WE ARE SAYING FAREWELL TO THE
23 CONSUL-GENERAL OF ISRAEL, THE HONORABLE YUVAL ROTEM, WHO IS
24 RETURNING TO A NEW ASSIGNMENT IN JERUSALEM. CONSUL-GENERAL
25 ROTEM, WHO WAS PROMOTED TO THE PERSONAL RANK OF AMBASSADOR



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1 LAST SEPTEMBER, HAS SERVED WITH DISTINCTION DURING THE FIVE
2 YEARS HE WAS POSTED HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. ONE OF HIS
3 MOST NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS HAS BEEN HIS OUTREACH PROGRAM TO
4 ESTABLISH A DIALOGUE AMONG THE LATINO, ISRAELI, AND JEWISH
5 COMMUNITIES. DURING HIS TENURE, THE PRESIDENT OF ISRAEL WAS
6 THE FIRST PRESIDENT OF ISRAEL TO EVER VISIT LOS ANGELES
7 COUNTY. I HAVE HEARD THAT HE HAS ADAPTED VERY WELL TO THE
8 MULTI-ETHNIC AND MULTICULTURAL MAKEUP OF OUR COUNTY AND THAT
9 HE HAS DEVELOPED A FONDNESS FOR TAMALES AND SUSHI, BUT
10 HOPEFULLY NOT ON THE SAME PLATE. CONSUL-GENERAL ROTEM, WE WISH
11 YOU VERY WELL AND RETURN TO YOUR HOME COUNTRY. YOU AND YOUR
12 WIFE WILL ALWAYS BE WELCOME AS OUR GUESTS HERE IN LOS ANGELES
13 COUNTY. AND ON BEHALF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES, WE WOULD LIKE
14 TO MAKE THIS PRESENTATION TO YOU AND WISH YOU GOOD AND SAFE
15 SPEED AND GOOD TRIP HOME. [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **CONSUL-GENERAL ROTEM:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IN FIVE YEARS OF SERVING
18 IN LOS ANGELES, I HAVE GAINED A DEEP APPRECIATION FOR THE
19 CONSTANT EFFORTS THAT YOU HAVE PUT IN KEEPING LOS ANGELES THE
20 MOST DIVERSE, THE MOST MULTICULTURAL AND THE MOST UNIQUE CITY
21 IN THIS NATION. AS CONSUL-GENERAL, I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO
22 TRAVEL EXTENSIVELY AROUND LOS ANGELES AND ARRIVING HERE TODAY
23 REMINDED ME OF WHAT I MOST LOVE ABOUT L.A. THE I-10, A PLACE I
24 SPENT A GOOD PERCENTAGE OF MY TENURE IN LOS ANGELES ON, GAVE
25 ME A TASTE OF THE FLAVOR L.A. HAS TO OFFER. STARTING IN SANTA



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1 MONICA, MOVING EAST TO THE JEWISH NEIGHBORHOOD OF PICO
2 CORRIDOR HAS BECOME LIKE A SECOND HOME. AND OTHER FEW TRAFFIC
3 JAMS BROUGHT ME DOWNTOWN TO THE HEART OF THE CITY, NOT JUST
4 ONE OF THE MOST WORLD'S MAJOR BUSINESS CENTER BUT ALSO THE
5 HOME OF LOS ANGELES LAKERS AND THE CLIPPERS. IT IS THE BEST
6 REASON TO TURN MY CELL PHONE OFF FOR A COUPLE OF HOURS.
7 TRAVELING JUST A LITTLE FURTHER EAST MADE ME MANY FRIENDS IN
8 THE LATINO COMMUNITY. RELATIONSHIPS THAT WE HAVE FORMED WITH
9 LATINO COMMUNITY IS ONE OF MY PROUDEST ACCOMPLISHMENTS AS
10 CONSUL-GENERAL. I TRAVELED THIS FREEWAY AND OTHERS OFTEN
11 DURING MY TIME HERE, VISITING A VARIETY OF COMMUNITIES ALONG
12 THE WAY. THE JOURNEY HAS BEEN CURVY AND BUMPY AT TIMES AND
13 NEVER WITHOUT CHALLENGES BUT ALWAYS INTERESTING AND REWARDING.
14 WHAT I HAVE LEARNED HERE HAS GIVEN ME A THOMAS GUIDE OF SORTS
15 TO MANEUVER AND NAVIGATE FOR OUR DIFFERENCES TO ARRIVE
16 ULTIMATELY AT OUR SIMILARITIES. AS I LOOK AT YOU, THE BOARD OF
17 SUPERVISORS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, I AM AGAIN REMINDED IN HOW
18 UNIQUELY WONDERFUL THIS PLACE IS. YOU EACH REPRESENT A
19 DIFFERENT BACKGROUND AND HAVE A DIFFERENT CULTURE, STORIES TO
20 TELL, BUT ALL OF YOU WORK TOGETHER TO FORM AN EXCELLENT
21 LEADERSHIP TEAM. THANK YOU FOR HELPING ME AND SUPPORTING ME
22 DURING WHAT HAS BEEN THE MOST DIFFICULT PERIOD FOR THE STATE
23 OF ISRAEL AND THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO
24 SERVE IN THE NEW GATEWAY TO AMERICA. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]
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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I WOULD JUST TAKE A MOMENT TO
2 ACKNOWLEDGE THE INCREDIBLE JOB THAT YOU'VE ALL-- ROTEM HAS
3 DONE IN LOS ANGELES IN THE FIVE YEARS HE'S BEEN HERE. HE CAME
4 HERE AS A RELATIVELY YOUNG MAN IN ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT
5 DIPLOMATIC POSTS THAT THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT HAS, WHICH IS THE
6 CONSULATE HERE IN LOS ANGELES, WITH THE SECOND LARGEST JEWISH
7 COMMUNITY IN THE WORLD AND NOT TO MENTION OTHER ISSUES AND
8 FACTORS AFFECTING THE ISRAEL MEDICORE, AND HE HAS REALLY BEEN,
9 OF ALL THE CONSULS-GENERAL THAT I HAVE WORKED WITH, THE MOST
10 OUTSTANDING, THE MOST SOPHISTICATED. HE HAS GRASPED LOS
11 ANGELES IN ALL OF ITS DIMENSIONS IN A WAY THAT EVEN A LOT OF
12 ANGELINOS DON'T AND HE AND HIS WIFE, MURI, HAVE BECOME GOOD
13 FRIENDS TO BARBARA AND I. WE WILL MISS THEM. THE CITY AND
14 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WILL MISS THEM. THE WESTERN STATES THAT
15 YOU'VE REPRESENTED YOUR GOVERNMENT TO WILL MISS YOU BUT I WILL
16 TELL YOU RIGHT NOW, MR. CHAIRMAN, YOU'RE GOING TO HEAR MORE
17 ABOUT YUVAL ROTEM IN THE FUTURE. HE'S GOING HOME BUT HE'S NOT
18 BEING PUT OUT TO PASTURE. HE'S MOVING ON UP AND I THINK HE'S
19 GOING TO HAVE A LOT TO SAY TO ABOUT-- A LOT OF CONTRIBUTIONS
20 TO MAKE TO THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL. THANK YOU
21 FOR YOUR SERVICE HERE. [APPLAUSE]

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** IT'S NOW MY HONOR TO INTRODUCE TO YOU THE
24 HONORABLE CHRIS CARTER, MINISTER OF CONSERVATION, MINISTER OF
25 LOCAL GOVERNMENT, AND MINISTER OF ETHNIC AFFAIRS IN THE



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1 GOVERNMENT OF NEW ZEALAND. MR. CARTER HOLDS A MASTER'S DEGREE
2 IN HISTORY AND WAS A HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER AND SUCCESSFUL
3 POULTRY FARMER WHO BRED AND SOLD PEDIGREE CHICKENS. THIS HAS
4 NOTHING TO DO WITH POLITICS BUT ALL THIS BEFORE BECOMING A
5 MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT IN 1993. IN ADDITION TO THE THREE
6 MINISTRIES THAT HE HEADS, HE IS ALSO A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.
7 AS A MEMBER OF THE PRIME MINISTER'S CABINET, MR. CARTER HAS
8 UNDERTAKEN A SERIES OF REFORMS TO ENCOURAGE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
9 IN NEW ZEALAND TO BE RESPONSIVE TO COMMUNITY NEEDS AND
10 ACCOUNTABLE TO THEIR COMMUNITIES. HE MET WITH DAVID JANSSEN,
11 OUR C.A.O., THIS MORNING TO GET AN OVERVIEW OF OUR LOCAL
12 GOVERNMENT HERE IN CALIFORNIA AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO, MR.
13 CARTER, WE WELCOME YOU AND WANT TO SAY WELCOME TO LOS ANGELES
14 COUNTY, THE LARGEST COUNTY IN THE UNITED STATES. SO,
15 HOPEFULLY, MR. JANSSEN GAVE YOU A GOOD OVERVIEW OF WHAT OUR
16 LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S ALL ABOUT. WE WISH YOU THE VERY, VERY BEST
17 AND ENJOY YOUR VISIT. [APPLAUSE]

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19 **CHRIS CARTER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IT'S A
20 PLEASURE TO BE HERE TODAY REPRESENTING THE NEW ZEALAND
21 GOVERNMENT. I'M ON MY WAY TO ITALY TODAY TO WORK AT THE IWC,
22 THE INTERNATIONAL WHALING COMMISSION, WHERE WE WILL BE WORKING
23 WITH THE UNITED STATES TO CONSERVE WHALES AGAINST THOSE WHO
24 WOULD KILL THEM IN THE SEAS. HOWEVER, I'M HERE TODAY TO VISIT
25 YOUR COUNTY AND LOOK AT THE ISSUES THAT YOU'RE FACING, WHICH



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1 ARE THE SAME ISSUES THAT WE FACE IN NEW ZEALAND AND OTHER
2 COUNTRIES, WHICH IS HOW TO ENGAGE WITH OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES,
3 MAKE PEOPLE FEEL THAT THEY ARE PART OF THE DECISION-MAKING
4 PROCESS, AND SHAPING THE SORT OF COMMUNITY THAT THEY WANT TO
5 HAVE IN THE FUTURE FOR THEMSELVES AND FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS,
6 THE PROVISIONS OF THOSE BASIC SERVICES OF HEALTH, EDUCATION
7 AND SECURITY. THOSE ARE THE SAME ISSUES THAT YOU FACE, THAT WE
8 FACE, AND, TOGETHER, THROUGH ENGAGING WITH EACH OTHER, WE CAN
9 LEARN ABOUT WAYS IN WHICH WE CAN SUCCESSFULLY, HOPEFULLY, MEET
10 THOSE ASPIRATIONS FROM COMMUNITIES. FOR NEW ZEALAND, LOS
11 ANGELES COUNTY IS THE GATEWAY TO THE UNITED STATES. OUR
12 RELATIONSHIP WITH THE UNITED STATES IS AN OLD RELATIONSHIP. WE
13 HAVE FOUGHT TOGETHER IN A NUMBER OF WARS DATING BACK TO WORLD
14 WAR I. WE SPEAK THE SAME LANGUAGE AND WE HAVE VERY MUCH THE
15 SAME CULTURE. THERE ARE DIFFERENCES, OF COURSE, BUT THEY ARE
16 SUBTLE RATHER THAN BASIC. AND SO, IT'S-- ENGAGEMENT BETWEEN
17 OUR TWO COUNTRIES IS SOMETHING WE ARE VERY KEEN TO DO AND WE
18 SEE CALIFORNIA AND, PARTICULARLY, LOS ANGELES, AS THE GATEWAY
19 TO NORTH AMERICA AND, PARTICULARLY, TO THE UNITED STATES. SO
20 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR HOSTING ME HERE TODAY. IT'S A PLEASURE
21 TO BE HERE. MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE A GIFT FOR YOU TODAY. THIS IS
22 A BOOK WHICH OUTLINES THE LANDSCAPES OF OUR COUNTRY. SOME
23 PEOPLE CALL IT MIDDLE EARTH, FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE SEEN
24 THE "LORD OF THE RINGS" MOVIES. WE ARE VERY PROUD OF OUR
25 BEAUTIFUL, NATURAL ENVIRONMENTS AND WE HOPE, MR. CHAIRMAN, BY



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1 LOOKING AT THIS BOOK, YOU MIGHT BE ENCOURAGED TO COME AND
2 VISIT US. [APPLAUSE]

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, AND THE COOPERATION OF THE NEW
5 ZEALAND GOVERNMENT, THROUGH OUR WHOLE "LORD OF THE RINGS" AND
6 LITERACY EFFORTS, IS TO BE EXTREMELY COMMENDED. WE JUST HAD A
7 GREAT TIME WORKING TOGETHER AND, ALONG WITH THE NATIONAL
8 GOVERNMENT, AIR NEW ZEALAND AND OTHERS, WE WERE ABLE TO PUT
9 TOGETHER A TRIP FOR A NAME DRAWN OUT OF A HAT. THEY HAVE TO
10 SPEND SEVEN DAYS IN NEW ZEALAND AND SEE EVERY SITE THAT THE
11 "LORD OF THE RINGS" WAS FILMED AT FOR ALL OF THE BOOKS. SO WE
12 HAD A GREAT TIME PUTTING IT TOGETHER. I'VE HAD THE GOOD
13 FORTUNE OF BEING IN YOUR COUNTRY A COUPLE OF TIMES AND THIS
14 WILL BE A GOOD REMEMBRANCE AND I LOOK FORWARD TO COMING BACK.
15 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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19 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, IT'S MY PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE THE TEE DIVA
20 AND TEE DUDE GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP SCROLL. THE TEE DIVA,
21 PARTICULARLY, WE HAVE SOME OF THEM WHO ARE AN IMPORTANT PART
22 OF THE SECOND DISTRICT. EVERY YEAR, THE ANNUAL WESTERN STATES
23 GOLF ASSOCIATION, THE W.S.G.A., HOLDS A TOURNAMENT COVERING
24 THE WESTERN UNITED STATES. FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE 50-YEAR
25 HISTORY OF THE COMPETITION, FIVE WOMEN FROM A PREDOMINANTLY



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1 FEMALE CLUB HAVE WON THE COVETED HONOR OF BEING THE BEST CLUB
2 IN THE 28-CLUB ASSOCIATION. THE FIVE-MEMBER TEAM CONSISTED OF
3 THE TOP PLAYER IN EACH FLIGHT WITH THE LOWEST SCORE ON THE
4 FIRST DAY OF THE THREE-DAY TOURNAMENT. THOSE MEMBERS THEN
5 COMPETED OVER THE NEXT TWO DAYS TO DETERMINE THE FINAL TEAM
6 WINNER. TWO MORE MEMBERS WERE ALSO CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT
7 WINNERS. I'M VERY PLEASED TO PRESENT THE TEE DIVA AND TEE DUDE
8 TEAM SCROLL TO DORIS LACOR, FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT OF THE CLUB,
9 WHO ALSO HAPPENS TO BE MY DEPUTY, AND SO CONGRATULATIONS TO
10 DORIS. DORIS IS VERY WELL KNOWN HERE FOR HER GOLF EXPERTISE. [
11 APPLAUSE]

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** AND, DORIS, WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A WORD? AND THEN
14 I'D LIKE TO PRESENT SCROLLS TO THE INDIVIDUAL TEAM WINNERS WHO
15 ARE HERE WITH US, AND WE HAVE MOST OF THEM HERE.

16

17 **DORIS LACOR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, AND TO THE OTHER MEMBERS
18 OF THE BOARD. I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR BURKE FOR THIS
19 PRESENTATION TODAY. THE WESTERN STATES GOLF ASSOCIATION
20 CONSISTS OF SIX STATES AND, AS SHE INDICATED EARLIER, WE HAVE
21 28 CLUBS WITHIN THOSE STATES. WE HAVE THREE DIVISIONS IN
22 CALIFORNIA. I'M THE AREA VICE PRESIDENT FOR SOUTHERN
23 CALIFORNIA. WE HAVE 12 CLUBS HERE. IN THAT PROGRAM, WE HAVE
24 THREE PROGRAMS THAT IS REALLY OUTSTANDING. WE HAVE A JUNIOR
25 GOLF PROGRAM, WHERE WE TRAIN KIDS FROM 7 TO 17 AND, LAST YEAR,



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1 OUR JUNIORS WENT TO THEIR ANNUAL TOURNAMENT AND THEY WON 22 OF
2 THE 27 TROPHIES THERE. WE ALSO HAVE A WONDERFUL SCHOLARSHIP
3 PROGRAM WHERE WE WERE ABLE TO GIVE \$12,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS
4 LAST YEAR, BUT THE MOST IMPORTANT IS MY WOMEN IN GOLF PROGRAM
5 WHERE WE TRAIN WOMEN AND SOME MEN WHO WANT TO LEARN THE GAME
6 OF GOLF. WITH THAT, I STARTED THE CLUB IN NOVEMBER OF '96 WITH
7 10 MEMBERS. WE NOW HAVE 78 MEMBERS IN OUR CLUB. AND WE
8 ORIGINALLY STARTED THIS TO BE AN ALL FEMALE CLUB BECAUSE HERB
9 NEEDED A HANDICAP, HE BECAME THE FIRST TEE DUDE. THIS YEAR WAS
10 OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY, AND WHAT MAKES THIS EVENT SO SPECIAL IS,
11 IN 50 YEARS, THERE HAS NEVER BEEN AN ALL-FEMALE TEAM TO WIN
12 THE TOURNAMENT, SO WE WON THE ALL TEAM-- THE TOTAL OF 1056.
13 THE SECOND RUNNER-UP WAS BY FIVE STROKES BEHIND US AND THE
14 THIRD RUNNER-UP WAS 16 STROKES. SO WE HAD A WONDERFUL TIME.
15 THANK YOU.

16
17 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU, DORIS. [APPLAUSE]

18
19 **SUP. BURKE:** AND NOW LET ME PRESENT TEAM MEMBER MARCIA RICKLY.
20 CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU.

21
22 **MARCIA RICKLY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

23
24 **SUP. BURKE:** JANICE CARTER. JACKIE NEWMAN. DONNA DOSS. AND NOW
25 WE HAVE OTHER MEMBERS FROM THE GROUP. WE'D LIKE TO GET A GROUP



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1 PICTURE OF ALL OF THEM. PEOPLE WHO WERE IN THE CLUB, AND MOST
2 OF THEM PARTICIPATED, BUT LET'S GET THE WINNERS UP HERE IN
3 FRONT. [LIGHT LAUGHTER]

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** WE WANT TO ENCOURAGE WOMEN IN GOLF, AND WE KNOW
6 THIS IS THE WAY YOU DO IT, WE GOT TO GET THEM STARTED VERY,
7 VERY YOUNG AND ALL AGES. NOT EVERYONE'S GOING TO START AS A
8 TEENAGER. I'D LIKE TO CALL JIM PARK FORWARD NOW. JIM PARK
9 BEGAN HIS CAREER WITH THE COUNTY IN MAY 1973 AS A STUDENT
10 PROFESSIONAL WORKER WITH THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT. AT THE
11 TIME, HE WAS AN UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT AT CAL POLY, POMONA. AND
12 HE WAS STUDYING FOR A DEGREE IN LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE. HIS
13 COUNTY DUTIES INCLUDED PROVIDING AESTHETIC TREATMENT OF FLOOD
14 CONTROL CHANNELS, AND HE WAS A PLANNER FOR THE LAURIO TRAIL,
15 WHICH RUNS ALONG THE L.A. AND RIO HONDO RIVER. FOUR YEARS
16 LATER, HE MOVED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION AS A
17 LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT. HE CONTINUED WITH THE
18 DEPARTMENT IN VARIOUS LEVELS OF PLANNING AND WAS NAMED HEAD
19 PARK PLANNER IN 1987. JIM PARK HAS ALSO BEEN VERY INVOLVED IN
20 THE PRIMARY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE CONCEPT FOR THE
21 BALDWIN HILLS RECREATION AREA, NOW KNOWN AS THE KENNETH HAHN
22 RECREATION AREA, AS A MEMBER OF THE CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD.
23 UPON COMPLETION OF THE PLAN, HE PREPARED THE E.I.R. FOR THIS
24 VERY COMPLEX PROJECT. HE HAS ALSO BEEN CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH
25 MANY OTHER IMPORTANT PROJECTS, INCLUDING THE SCHABARUM TRAIL,



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1 MAGIC JOHNSON PARK, DEAN DANA FRIENDSHIP PARK, AND HE WAS A
2 PLANNER OVER THE MASTER PLAN FOR FRANK G. BONELLI REGIONAL
3 PARK. NOW JIM PARK IS RETIRING AFTER MORE THAN 31 YEARS OF
4 OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS
5 ANGELES. WE WILL MISS HIM GREATLY, BUT I MUST TAKE THIS
6 OPPORTUNITY TO WISH HIM HAPPINESS AND MUCH SUCCESS IN THE NEXT
7 INSTALLMENT OF HIS LIFE BUT WE HOPE HE STAYS AROUND AND HELPS
8 US ON SOME OF THESE PROJECTS, BECAUSE WE STILL NEED SOME HELP.
9 CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU, JIM. [APPLAUSE]

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE, AS YOU'RE TAKING THAT
12 PHOTO, I JUST WANT TO PUT MY TWO CENTS IN ON MR. PARK AND TO
13 THANK HIM FOR ALL HIS EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF NOT ONLY THE
14 DEPARTMENT, BUT IN WORKING WITH HIM AND ISSUES IN OUR
15 DISTRICT. HE'S JUST BEEN AN ABSOLUTE JOY AND WE TRULY
16 APPRECIATE ALL THAT YOU'VE DONE AND WE WISH YOU THE VERY, VERY
17 BEST AND GODSPEED IN YOUR FUTURE ENDEAVORS. CONGRATULATIONS.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I ALSO WANT TO JOIN IN HIS COMPETENCE FOR THE
20 PAST 23 YEARS. WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON THE VARIOUS PARK ISSUES
21 FROM DAVE ANADA AND NOW WITH PAUL NOVAK AND SUSIE. AND WE WILL
22 MISS YOU BUT ALWAYS NICE TO SEE YOU IN THE SIERRA MADRE JULY
23 4TH PARADE WAVING AWAY, SO GOD BLESS YOU. THANK YOU. [
24 APPLAUSE]

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1 **JIM PARK:** IT HAS BEEN AN ENTIRE JOY FOR ME AND MY WIFE. I'D
2 LIKE TO INTRODUCE DOROTHEA PARK. AS PARKS, WE'VE REALLY
3 ENJOYED BEING IN THE COUNTY FAMILY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

4
5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, DID YOU HAVE
6 ANY PRESENTATIONS? OKAY. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, FIRST, WE'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE STEVEN
9 HERNANDEZ, A GRADUATE OF OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT V.I.D.A.
10 PROGRAM, WHICH PROVIDES A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR YOUNG
11 PEOPLE. THIS PROGRAM ALLOWS PARTICIPANTS COUNSELING, COMMUNITY
12 SERVICE, OPPORTUNITIES, PHYSICAL TRAINING, BEHAVIOR
13 MODIFICATION AND JOB ASSISTANCE. IT'S OVERSEEN BY THE LAW
14 ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL AND THE PROGRAM OFFERS TREATMENT AND
15 UTILIZES PROACTIVE INNOVATIVE TECHNIQUES FOR POSITIVE
16 REDIRECTION. STEVEN ENROLLED IN THE PROGRAM IN AUGUST OF 2000
17 AT THE AGE OF 15. HE COMPLETED THE PROGRAM AND BEGAN ASSISTING
18 OTHER GRADUATES IN THEIR EFFORTS TO MAKE POSITIVE LIFE
19 CHOICES. AFTER GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL, HE ENLISTED IN THE
20 UNITED STATES ARMY AND WAS ASSIGNED TO THE PRESTIGIOUS TENTH
21 MOUNTAIN DIVISION AND INFANTRY UNIT WITH A LONG HISTORY OF
22 COURAGEOUS CAMPAIGNS. HE WAS THEN DEPLOYED TO AFGHANISTAN,
23 WHERE HE WAS INVOLVED IN SEVERAL BATTLES AGAINST THE TALIBAN
24 AND SOON HE WILL BE DEPLOYED TO IRAQ TO CONTINUE THE WAR ON
25 TERRORISM. HE'S AN EXAMPLE OF HOW THE VITA PROGRAM HAS



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1 ASSISTED YOUNG PEOPLE IN REDIRECTING THEIR LIVES AND HOW ONE
2 LIFE CAN HAVE AN IMPACT, A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE WORLD. WITH
3 HIM IS DEPUTY MARK KRIPE FROM THE VITA SITE WHERE STEVEN CAME
4 FROM AND STEVEN'S FAMILY: HIS MOTHER, ANGELA HERNANDEZ, HIS
5 UNCLE, STEVEN HARBORSON, AND HIS COUSIN, VICKY HARBORSON. SO,
6 STEVEN, CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

7

8 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ:** I'D JUST LIKE TO THANK DEPUTY HARBORSON AND
9 DEPUTY KRIPE FOR EVERYTHING THEY'VE DONE FOR ME. I WOULDN'T BE
10 HERE TODAY IF IT WEREN'T FOR THEM AND, OF COURSE, ALL THE
11 OTHER SHERIFFS IN THE PROGRAM. WONDERFUL PROGRAM.

12

13 **DEPUTY MARK KRIPE:** IT'S A REAL HONOR TO WORK WITH YOUTH AND TO
14 SEE THEM GROW UP AND BECOME AN ASSET FOR OUR COUNTRY. IT'S
15 BEEN PROBABLY ONE OF MY CAREER'S GREATER ENJOYMENTS AND WE'RE
16 EXTREMELY PROUD OF MR. HERNANDEZ AND EXTREMELY GRATEFUL TO
17 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TODAY FOR
18 RECOGNIZING HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE SOME OF THE
21 OUTSTANDING SCHOOLS IN THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, WHICH
22 HAD BEEN SELECTED FOR THE CALIFORNIA 2004 TITLE 1 ACADEMIC
23 ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA'S DEPARTMENT OF
24 EDUCATION. THESE REMARKABLE SCHOOLS HAVE SHOWN THAT GREAT
25 GAINS CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED BY HAVING HIGH EXPECTATIONS FOR OUR



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1 CHILDREN. OF THE 214 CALIFORNIA SCHOOLS THAT RECEIVE THE TITLE
2 1 ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS, 30 ARE LOCATED IN OUR DISTRICT
3 AND, AS YOU KNOW, EACH WEEK, WE HAVE BEEN RECOGNIZING A GROUP
4 OF THOSE. REPRESENTATIVES FROM SEVEN OF THOSE SCHOOLS THAT ARE
5 WITH US TODAY INCLUDE WALT DISNEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE
6 CITY OF BURBANK, FROM THE BURBANK UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND
7 WITH US WE HAVE BOBBY KAVANAUGH, CURRICULUM SPECIALIST, CHRIS
8 WATSON AND SUPERINTENDENT, DR. GREGORY BOWMAN AND ASSISTANT
9 SUPERINTENDENT, ALEXIS SHEEHY. WILLIAM MCKINLEY ELEMENTARY
10 SCHOOL IN THE CITY OF BURBANK, FROM THE BURBANK UNIFIED SCHOOL
11 DISTRICT, WE HAVE CURRICULUM SPECIALIST, CHERIE WESTCOTT,
12 FIFTH GRADE INSTRUCTOR, ROSEANNE WEBB, AND JOAQUIN MILLER
13 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE CITY OF BURBANK FROM THE BURBANK
14 SCHOOL DISTRICT, AGAIN, PRINCIPAL-- HOW ARE WE DOING? THIS IS
15 JUST FOR THE MCKINLEY SCHOOL, WE HAVE CHERIE AND ROSEANN. NOW
16 FOR JONATHAN MILLER-- OR JOAQUIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN BURBANK,
17 PRINCIPAL JUDY HESSION, AND ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, CHRISTINE
18 BATCHELOR.

19
20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FROM BALBOA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE CITY OF
21 GLENDALE, GLENDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, WE HAVE LINDA
22 RUSSO-MILANO AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT, ALICE PETROSSIAN.
23 GOOD FRIEND. CONGRATULATIONS. FROM COLUMBUS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
24 IN THE CITY OF GLENDALE, GLENDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, IS
25 PRINCIPAL KELLY KING AND ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, VICKIE ATIKIAN.



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1 AND FROM GLENDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, BENJAMIN FRANKLIN
2 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ANA JONES, FIRST GRADE INSTRUCTOR. HOW ARE
3 YOU? AND R.D. WHITE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, CITY OF GLENDALE,
4 PRINCIPAL, SUZANNE RISSE. AND, THIS WEEK, WE HAVE LITTLE
5 ASHLEY, WHO IS 12 WEEKS OLD. SHE'S A DOMESTIC SHORT HAIR GRAY
6 CAT WHO IS LOOKING FOR A HOME. SO, MAYBE ONE OF THE STUDENTS
7 FROM SANTA CLARITA WOULD LIKE TO TAKE IT HOME TO THEIR PARENTS
8 OR MEMBERS OF THE GRAND JURY, THEY LIKE TO BE IN GRAND JURY
9 ROOM TO KEEP YOU COMPANY. ANYWAY, ASHLEY IS LOOKING FOR A
10 HOME. SO ANYBODY WHO COULD CALL, WATCHING ON TELEVISION, (562)
11 728-4644, OR THOSE IN THE AUDIENCE WOULD LIKE ASHLEY. SHE'S
12 PURRING RIGHT NOW. SHE'S SAYING "PLEASE."

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE WILL BEGIN WITH SPECIALS AND
15 ADJOURNMENTS WITH SUPERVISOR BURKE. I WOULD ADD, TOO, THAT ONE
16 SIGNIFICANT THING HAPPENED YESTERDAY, FIRST FIVE HISTORIC DAY
17 FOR THE KIDS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THE
18 UNIVERSAL PRESCHOOL. I'VE SENT EACH OF YOU A LETTER IN REGARDS
19 TO THAT AS WELL AS ASKING YOU TO HAVE YOUR APPOINTMENTS UP BY
20 AUGUST 1ST SO THEY CAN GET TO THE MEETING. SO IT'S ON YOUR
21 DESK HERE, AND APPRECIATE ALL YOUR HELP IN MAKING THAT HAPPEN.
22 SUPERVISOR BURKE?

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE
25 ROLL YOU PLAYED AND YOUR STAFF IN TRYING TO DEVELOP SOME



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1 RESOLUTION TO THE ISSUES. I THINK YOU DID A GREAT JOB AND YOUR
2 STAFF IS TO BE CONGRATULATED, TOO.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** WE CERTAINLY JOIN IN THAT. I KNOW THIS HAS BEEN
7 PROBABLY VERY, VERY DIFFICULT. I HAD NO IDEA IT WOULD BE THIS
8 DIFFICULT BUT I GUESS, WHEN YOU START TALKING ABOUT \$500
9 MILLION, IT ALWAYS GETS DIFFICULT BECAUSE IT RAISES A NUMBER
10 OF ISSUES, AND I THOUGHT PARTICULARLY ONE ISSUE THAT WAS
11 RAISED TODAY IN THE NEWSPAPER IS ONE THAT WE HAVE TO CONTINUE
12 TO TALK ABOUT. ULTIMATELY, IT'S NOT CLEAR WHO HAS THE
13 RESPONSIBILITY FOR THOSE FUNDS IF SOMETHING HAPPENS. WHETHER
14 OR NOT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BE THE ONES WHO ARE HELD
15 RESPONSIBLE IF THERE IS ANY KIND OF MIX-UP, WHETHER OR NOT
16 THERE'S PROBLEMS IN TERMS OF THE ACTUAL ADMINISTRATION OR
17 GOVERNANCE, OR WHETHER OR NOT SOME OF THOSE RECIPIENTS RUN
18 INTO ISSUES THAT COME BEFORE THE PRESS OR COME BEFORE EVEN
19 LEGAL AUTHORITIES. SO I DO THINK THAT THAT MUST BE CLARIFIED.
20 WHAT OUR RESPONSIBILITY IS AND HOW ANSWERABLE WE ARE,
21 ULTIMATELY, FOR THOSE WHO NOW HAVE THE GOVERNANCE. BUT I KNOW
22 IT WAS DIFFICULT, YOU WORKED VERY HARD, AND I WANT TO
23 CERTAINLY SAY I COMMEND ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD FOR THEIR
24 COOPERATION IN COMING TOGETHER IN WHAT HAS BEEN VERY
25 DIFFICULT.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE ARE TRYING TO CLARIFY ALL OF
3 THAT AS IT RELATES TO REAL ESTATE, AS IT RELATES TO RAW DATA
4 AND EVERYTHING ELSE THROUGH THE CONTRACT. SO, HOPEFULLY, WE'LL
5 HAVE SOMETHING FOR YOU TO REVIEW HERE SHORTLY.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** I MOVE THAT, WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
8 THE MEMORY OF JUANITA TATE. AND SHE PASSED AWAY JULY 5TH. SHE
9 WAS AN ACTIVIST WHO SOUGHT TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN
10 SOUTH LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOODS BY BUILDING AFFORDABLE
11 HOUSING, HELPING TO ESTABLISH A CREDIT UNION, FIGHTING
12 ENVIRONMENTALLY UNSOUND PROJECTS AND INSPIRING OTHERS TO
13 INVEST IN THE COMMUNITY. SHE WAS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
14 NONPROFIT COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION GROUP, CONCERNED CITIZENS
15 OF SOUTH CENTRAL LOS ANGELES, AND SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER THREE
16 CHILDREN: EUGENE WILLIAMS, MARK WILLIAMS, AND NOREEN MCCLENDON
17 AND NINE GRANDCHILDREN. SHE DID REALLY AN INCREDIBLE JOB IN A
18 NEW FIELD, BREAKING NEW GROUND.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** MS. BURKE, I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT ADJOURNMENT.
21 SHE JOINED US AT OUR LAST MEETING OF THE GRAND AVENUE
22 AUTHORITY AND WAS CONTINUING HER ADVOCACY ROLE IN NOT ONLY
23 FIGHTING FOR MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS BUT THAT WE
24 UNDERSTAND THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE IMPACT ON OUR



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1 ENVIRONMENT, AS WELL. SO SHE FOUGHT UNTIL THE VERY END ON
2 BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT
5 ADJOURNING RESOLUTION. JUANITA AND I GO BACK A LONG, LONG
6 TIME, AND THERE WAS NO MORE PASSIONATE FIGHTER FOR THE CAUSES
7 IN WHICH SHE BELIEVED THAN JUANITA. SHE WAS DIRECT, SHE WAS
8 BLUNT, AND, AS SOMEONE SAID LAST WEEK, YOU NEVER LEFT A
9 MEETING WITH JUANITA WONDERING WHERE SHE STOOD ON AN ISSUE.
10 SHE WAS VERY CLEAR AND SELFLESS, ABSOLUTELY SELFLESS ABOUT HER
11 COMMITMENTS, AND IT'S A GREAT LOSS TO LOS ANGELES. THERE ARE A
12 LOT OF PEOPLE WHO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THIS TOWN EVERY DAY WHO
13 DON'T GET A LOT OF ATTENTION AND SHE WAS ONE OF THE TOPS ON
14 THE LIST.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND I KNOW EVERYONE, THE
17 ENTIRE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY, HAS A GREAT LOSS FROM JUANITA
18 TATE.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL MEMBERS.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** I WOULD LIKE TO ALSO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN
23 MEMORY OF ROBERT D. GRESHAM, A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE
24 SECOND DISTRICT, WHO PASSED AWAY JULY 1ST. HE DIED OF LUNG
25 CANCER. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, JEAN AND HIS SON, ROBERT J.



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1 GRESHAM. ISABEL SANFORD, BEST KNOWN AS "WEEZIE", LOUISE
2 JEFFERSON ON THE TELEVISION SITCOM, "THE JEFFERSONS," PASSED
3 AWAY ON JULY 12TH AT THE AGE OF 86. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER
4 DAUGHTER, PAMELA RALPH AND TWO SONS. AS A MATTER OF FACT, SHE,
5 AT ONE TIME, HAD A STORE IN AVALON. SHE WAS CERTAINLY VERY
6 INVOLVED IN MANY OTHER THINGS BUT, OF COURSE, KNOWN FOR THAT
7 ROLE. AND MR. STAFFORD BADGER...

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL MEMBERS.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL MEMBERS. AND MR. STAFFORD BADGER, LONG-TIME
12 RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY
13 5TH. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SISTER, VERNETTA TATE AND MARTHA
14 MCCLENDON AND A BROTHER, JULIUS BADGER. AND ANNIE HARRIET
15 RAINEY HOLLAND, LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE SECOND DISTRICT WHO
16 PASSED AWAY JUNE 30TH. HER PROFESSIONAL CAREER IN EDUCATED
17 SPANNED MANY DECADES. SHE RETIRED TWICE FROM L.A. UNIFIED
18 SCHOOL DISTRICT. SHE WAS A DEDICATED MEMBER OF THE ALCORN
19 UNIVERSITY NATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF
20 SIGMA GAMMA RHO SORORITY. MISS HOLLAND IS SURVIVED BY HER
21 HUSBAND, JAMES, OF 55 YEARS; TWO DAUGHTERS, DEBORAH HOLLAND
22 AND JUDY HOLLAND; TWO SONS, CHRISTOPHER HOLLAND AND HIS WIFE,
23 JANICE, AND DAVID HOLLAND AND HIS WIFE, KATHERINE.

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.



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SUP. BURKE: I AM GOING TO BE INTRODUCING A MOTION, I'LL PASS IT OUT LATER, FOR NEXT WEEK, AND IT RELATES TO THE ISSUE WE'VE TALKED ABOUT A GREAT DEAL, WHICH IS OUR HEALTH SYSTEM AND IT OPERATING AS A SYSTEM. AND WE'VE BEEN WAITING, I THINK, FOR A LONG TIME TO GET SOME UNDERSTANDING OF EXACTLY WHAT THAT SYSTEM WILL LOOK LIKE. WHAT'S HAPPENING IS THAT WE'VE HAD DISCUSSIONS, WE SEE, FOR INSTANCE, IN SOME HOSPITALS, ELIMINATION OF SOME SERVICES OR-- WE DON'T SAY SERVICES BUT ELIMINATING OF CERTAIN DEPARTMENTS OR BRINGING DEPARTMENTS TOGETHER. BUT WE HAVE BEEN EXPECTING SOME IDEA OF EXACTLY WHAT THE HEALTH SYSTEM WILL LOOK LIKE. I RECOGNIZE THAT, TODAY, WITH THE COST OF MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, IT BECOMES VERY DIFFICULT FOR US TO AFFORD HAVE STATE-OF-THE-ART, TOP NOTCH EQUIPMENT, IT CHANGES VERY RAPIDLY, IN EVERY HOSPITAL. SO I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR US TO GET SOME UNDERSTANDING OF EXACTLY WHAT THE HEALTHCARE-- THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IS COMING UP WITH, WHAT DIRECTION THEY'RE GOING IN, IN TERMS OF HOW THIS SYSTEM WILL BE STRUCTURED. AND I'LL PASS THAT MOTION OUT LATER BUT I WANTED TO INTRODUCE IT AT THIS TIME. AND THAT'S FOR NEXT WEEK.

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SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. THANK YOU.

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SUP. BURKE: I HAVE NOTHING FURTHER.

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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, ANY ADJOURNMENTS?

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I WANT TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN
5 IN MEMORY OF WARREN STEINBERG, WHO IS A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF
6 OUR DISTRICT AND OF MY FORMER COUNCIL DISTRICT, WHO WAS A
7 TEACHER, COUNSELOR, ADMINISTRATOR IN THE L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL
8 DISTRICT FOR OVER 40 YEARS, INCLUDING A SIGNIFICANT TENURE AS
9 THE PRINCIPAL OF MY ALMA MATER, FAIRFAX HIGH SCHOOL. HE WAS
10 ALSO A FOUNDING ADVISOR TO THE LOS ANGELES CITY HUMAN
11 RELATIONS COMMITTEE IN 1966 AND WAS THE LONGEST SERVING
12 COMMISSIONER AND PAST PRESIDENT. HE DEDICATED HIS LIFE TO
13 SERVING OUR COMMUNITY IN MANY WAYS AND ASSISTING AND
14 ENCOURAGING GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE, AND HE
15 MADE A HUGE DIFFERENCE IN OUR IMMEDIATE COMMUNITY AND IN THE
16 CITY AND COUNTY AT LARGE. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 55
17 YEARS, BETTY STEINBERG, THREE SONS, LEIGH STEINBERG, JAMES AND
18 DONALD STEINBERG AND A BROTHER, LARRY AND SIX GRANDCHILDREN.
19 ALSO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF-- I DON'T THINK THE
20 SECRETARY-- BOARD SECRETARY HAS THIS, BUT I'LL GET YOU THE
21 INFORMATION. LEONARD LEVINE. LEONARD WAS A LEADING BUSINESSMAN
22 IN WESTWOOD, WAS ACTIVE. HE AND HIS WIFE ARE ACTIVE IN THE
23 WESTWOOD-HOLMBY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION FOR MANY YEARS, HE
24 PASSED AWAY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, FLORA LEVINE. AND
25 THAT'S ALL I HAVE IN THE WAY OF ADJOURNMENTS. MR. CHAIRMAN,



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1 I'D LIKE-- I DON'T KNOW IF MR. LEAF IS HERE, FRED LEAF. I'D
2 LIKE-- IS FRED HERE? HE'S COMING? I REALLY-- I-- I'VE
3 EXCHANGED SOME E-MAILS WITH DR. GARTHWAITE OVER THIS INCIDENT,
4 THIS LATEST INCIDENT AT MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL, AS WE ALL
5 HAVE IN THE LAST 48 HOURS. I'D LIKE YOU TO GIVE US YOUR
6 CURRENT-- I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU'RE STILL LOOKING INTO--
7 INVESTIGATING THE ISSUE BUT I'D LIKE TO KNOW YOUR STATE-- THE
8 STATE OF YOUR INFORMATION AS IT STANDS NOW. WHAT'S TRANSPIRED?
9 JUST LET ME LEAVE IT AT THAT. I'D LIKE TO GET AN UPDATE FROM
10 YOU ON THIS LATEST INCIDENT.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MIKE?

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GO AHEAD.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** GO AHEAD.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD.

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20 **FRED LEAF:** YES. YESTERDAY, AS YOU ALL KNOW FROM CORRESPONDENCE
21 I'VE SENT OVER, THE ROOT CAUSE OF THIS INCIDENT, IT WAS
22 INITIATED. THIS, AS YOU KNOW, INVOLVED A TRAUMA PATIENT WHO
23 WAS TREATED AT KING AND CLAMPS WERE LEFT IN THE ABDOMEN OF THE
24 PATIENT. WE'VE CURRENTLY REVIEWED ALL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES
25 THAT ARE IN PLACE RIGHT NOW, AND, CLEARLY, THE PROTOCOLS ON



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1 INSTRUMENT COUNTS, ON PROPHYLACTIC X-RAYS ARE ALL PRESENT AND
2 SHOULD HAVE BEEN FOLLOWED. THEY WEREN'T, IN THIS CASE. WE ARE
3 CONTINUING TO LOOK AT IT AND WE'LL PROBABLY COMPLETE THIS
4 REVIEW WITHIN THE NEXT DAY AND A HALF, AND WE WILL BE LOOKING
5 AT ANY DISCIPLINARY ACTION THAT MIGHT BE NECESSARY, AS WELL AS
6 ANY TRAINING THAT MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE STAFF INVOLVED.
7 I HAVE WITH ME, DR. ROGER PEEKS, WHO IS THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR
8 AT MARTIN LUTHER KING, WHO WOULD ALSO BE ABLE TO ANSWER ANY
9 OTHER QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHEN DID THIS INCIDENT OCCUR?

12

13 **FRED LEAF:** IT OCCURRED ON THE-- I BELIEVE, ON THE 22ND IS WHEN
14 THE TRAUMA EVENT OCCURRED.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OF JUNE?

17

18 **FRED LEAF:** OF JUNE. THEN THE PATIENT WAS IN THE HOSPITAL FOR
19 CONTINUING CARE AND THE IMPLEMENT WAS IDENTIFIED IN THE
20 ABDOMEN APPROXIMATELY, WAS IT A WEEK LATER?

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22 **ROGER PEEKS:** JULY 2ND.

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24 **FRED LEAF:** JULY 2ND.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHEN WERE YOU INFORMED?

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3 **FRED LEAF:** WELL, THE PROCESS IN PLACE AT KING RIGHT NOW IS
4 THAT DR. GARTHWAITE AND MYSELF ARE INFORMED AT THE POINT OF
5 THE ROOT CAUSES ANALYSIS OF INCIDENTS THAT AREN'T DEEMED
6 SENTINEL EVENTS, WHICH ARE REPORTABLE EVENTS. WE WERE
7 INFORMED-- ROGER WAS INFORMED IMMEDIATELY AND ACTION WAS
8 INITIATED AT THAT POINT, YOU KNOW, TO CONDUCT THE ROOT CAUSE
9 ANALYSIS AND SO ON, AND TO REINFORCE POLICIES WITH STAFF. WE
10 WERE INFORMED AT THE POINT THE ROOT CAUSE WAS SCHEDULED, WHICH
11 WAS-- OCCURRED YESTERDAY.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU WERE INFORMED YESTERDAY?

14

15 **FRED LEAF:** WELL, I LEARNED ABOUT IT WHEN I RECEIVED A CALL, AN
16 ANONYMOUS CALL FROM "THE TIMES" BUT WE WOULD BE NOTIFIED,
17 NORMALLY, AS THE PROCESS IS CURRENTLY SET UP, AT THE
18 COMPLETION OF THE ROOT CAUSE ANALYSIS. FOR EVENTS THAT AREN'T
19 REPORTABLE TO THE STATE OR JAYCO. OTHER EVENTS, WE'RE NOTIFIED
20 IMMEDIATELY.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHEN WAS THE ROOT CAUSE ANALYSIS INITIATED?
23 YESTERDAY?

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25 **ROGER PEEKS:** YESTERDAY.



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2 **FRED LEAF:** YESTERDAY.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WHY DID IT TAKE THE AMOUNT OF TIME FROM
5 THE INCIDENT TO YESTERDAY, ABOUT TWO WEEKS, FOR THAT TO OCCUR?
6 IS THAT NORMAL?

7

8 **FRED LEAF:** WELL, AS I UNDERSTAND IT, THERE WERE-- ONE OF THE
9 KEY STAFF MEMBERS WASN'T-- WAS NOT PRESENT...

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, LET ME REPHRASE THAT BECAUSE THEY MAY
12 NOT HAVE KNOWN ABOUT IT FOR A WEEK BUT WHY DID IT TAKE A WEEK
13 FROM THE TIME IT WAS DISCOVERED TO THE TIME THE ROOT CAUSE
14 ANALYSIS WAS INITIATED?

15

16 **ROGER PEEKS:** MAINLY GETTING THE PEOPLE TOGETHER. THE NORMAL--
17 BUT THE JOINT COMMISSION HAS-- WHAT THEY HAVE AS THE STANDARD
18 IS THAT ROOT CAUSE ANALYSIS SHOULD BE COMPLETED WITHIN 45 DAYS
19 OF LEARNING OF THE EVENT. AND USUALLY IT TAKES A WEEK OR SO TO
20 GET ALL THE KEY PEOPLE TOGETHER.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THIS-- DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA HOW THIS
23 COMPARES TO-- HOW-- WHAT THE FREQUENCY OF THESE EVENTS ARE IN
24 OUR SYSTEM COUNTYWIDE AND/OR AT M.L.K. IN PARTICULAR COMPARED
25 TO COUNTYWIDE?



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FRED LEAF: WELL, IF YOU LOOK AT OUR MALPRACTICE DISTRIBUTION OF CASES, THAT'S PRETTY EVENLY DISTRIBUTED BETWEEN KING AND THE OTHER HOSPITALS. THAT'S ONE INDICATOR THAT MAY OR MAY NOT, YOU KNOW, MEAN ANYTHING IN RELATION TO WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TODAY. THE OCCURRENCE OF MEDICAL ERRORS SUCH AS THIS, PARTICULARLY INVOLVING THE ABDOMEN ON REPAIRS CONDUCTED IN AN EMERGENCY SETTING, LIKE A TRAUMA CENTER, ARE, ACCORDING TO LITERATURE, 1 IN 500 TO 1,500 CASES, YOU'LL EXPERIENCE THIS KIND OF AN ERROR. AND I KNOW THAT IT OCCURS IN OUR OTHER FACILITIES, ALSO. BUT AS FAR AS THE FREQUENCY AND THE COMPARISON, I DON'T HAVE THOSE NUMBERS TODAY.

13

SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: YOU COULD NOT TODAY TELL US WHETHER THE INCIDENTS AT KING COMPORTS WITH THE-- WITH THE INDUSTRY-WIDE AVERAGE OR THE-- OR EVEN OUR COUNTYWIDE AVERAGE?

17

FRED LEAF: NO, BUT THAT INFORMATION IS BEING COLLECTED FOR THAT VERY REASON, JUST TO SEE IF THERE'S ANY CORRELATION BETWEEN KING AND THESE INCIDENTS VERSUS OUR OTHER HOSPITALS.

21

SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: AND WHEN WILL THAT INFORMATION BE AVAILABLE?

23

FRED LEAF: I WOULD SAY WITHIN ABOUT-- THE MIDDLE OF NEXT WEEK. PEOPLE ARE ASSEMBLING IT NOW.

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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WILL THAT BE PART OF YOUR OVERALL REPORT
3 ON THIS INCIDENT?

4

5 **FRED LEAF:** YES, IT WILL.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M SURE THERE ARE OTHER QUESTIONS. I WON'T
8 HOG THE WHOLE MICROPHONE HERE.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THEN SUPERVISOR
11 BURKE.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MY CONCERN IS, WHEN WE HAD AN EXCHANGE OF E-
14 MAILS ON THIS, IS THE FACT THAT THE PROCEDURES THAT YOU HAVE
15 IN THE OPERATING ROOM WERE NOT FOLLOWED. AND THEN TO SAY THAT
16 THIS WAS NOT LIFE-THREATENING, WELL, HAVING A CLAMP IN A
17 PERSON COULD BE LIFE-THREATENING, BUT IT IS GOING TO IMPACT A
18 LAWSUIT. AND SO THE INDIVIDUAL WILL BE SUING BECAUSE THERE WAS
19 MALPRACTICE ON THAT TYPE OF SURGERY. I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY
20 THE PROTOCOL ISN'T FOLLOWED BY THE OPERATING ROOM AS TO THE
21 RECOVERY OF CLAMPS, SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS, AFTER EACH SURGERY.
22 THAT'S JUST STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE. AND I DON'T
23 UNDERSTAND WHY THERE CONTINUES TO BE A LACK OF ACCOUNTABILITY
24 BY THE MEDICAL SIDE. YOU'RE ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE SIDE BUT THE
25 MEDICAL SIDE HAVE TO STEP UP TO THE PLATE. THE DOCTORS HAVE TO



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1 STEP UP TO THE PLATE AND BEGIN HAVING SOME TYPE OF DISCIPLINE
2 BECAUSE THIS END IS PAYING FOR THOSE MISTAKES. MORE
3 IMPORTANTLY, INDIVIDUALS GOING INTO OUR FACILITIES OUGHT TO
4 HAVE THE COMFORT AND CONFIDENCE THAT ALL WILL BE DONE TO HELP
5 THAT INDIVIDUAL WITH THEIR LIFE AND WE'RE NOT GOING TO BE
6 ADDING TO A PROBLEM BY, YOU KNOW, LEAVING THE TOOLS AS WE SEW
7 THEM UP, INSIDE. I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY WE HAVEN'T TURNED THE
8 CORNER YET. THAT'S WHY I WAS SO INCENSED IN THE E-MAIL WHICH I
9 SENT TO MY COLLEAGUES AS WELL ON THIS ISSUE. THE MEDICAL SIDE
10 NEEDS TO TAKE ACCOUNTABILITY. THE DOCTORS NEED TO TAKE
11 ACCOUNTABILITY. THE DOCTORS NEED TO POLICE THEMSELVES.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** INSTEAD OF SUING US.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEY'RE NOT.

16

17 **FRED LEAF:** I THINK THAT THAT PHYSICIAN ACCOUNTABILITY IS
18 EXTREMELY IMPORTANT, AND YOUR CONCERNS ARE NOT LOST ON THE
19 DEPARTMENT, I CAN ASSURE YOU. THE PROCEDURES AND PROTOCOLS ARE
20 IN PLACE. THERE'S A NUMBER OF POINTS WHERE THESE ERRORS OCCUR.
21 IN THIS CASE, YOU HAVE THE TRAUMA SURGEON, YOU HAVE RADIOLOGY,
22 WHO IS ALSO INVOLVED IN THE POLICY, BECAUSE, IN MANY CASES, IN
23 A TRAUMA SETTING, YOU CANNOT-- YOU DON'T HAVE THE TIME TO
24 COUNT THE TOOLS AND COUNT THE INSTRUMENTS BECAUSE OF THE OTHER
25 PATIENTS, YOU KNOW, LYING ON EITHER SIDE WITH VERY CRITICAL



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1 INJURIES. THAT'S WHY THE PROPHYLACTIC X-RAY IS INCLUDED IN THE
2 POLICY, WHICH MEANS THAT...

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THIS WAS DELAYED IN THIS CASE. THEY
5 DIDN'T DO THE X-RAY SO I'M JUST SAYING, THE PROCEDURES ARE NOT
6 BEING FOLLOWED!

7

8 **FRED LEAF:** THEY DIDN'T. EXACTLY. EXACTLY. THAT'S WHAT I WAS
9 SAYING AND THAT'S WHY IT'S SO CRITICAL TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY
10 ARE FOLLOWED.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THAT'S ON THE MEDICAL SIDE, THAT'S THE
13 MEDICAL SIDE.

14

15 **FRED LEAF:** I KNOW ROGER IS CERTAINLY AWARE OF THE MANY ISSUES
16 THAT THEY'RE FACING AT KING, AND I BELIEVE THAT YOU'RE TAKING
17 EVERY ACTION TO ADDRESS THEM.

18

19 **ROGER PEEKS:** RIGHT. AND I THINK YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. I
20 THINK THE KEY IS FINDING OUT WHY THE PROCEDURES WEREN'T
21 FOLLOWED AND WHO DIDN'T FOLLOW THEM, AND THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT
22 WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF DOING.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BECAUSE WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A LAWSUIT, WE'LL
25 HAVE A MULTI-THOUSAND-DOLLAR LAWSUIT NOW THAT WE'RE GOING TO



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1 HAVE TO PAY FOR. AND THE ATTITUDE OF, LIKE, MAYBE THAT'S NOT
2 LIFE-THREATENING BUT IT IS A LEGAL IMPACT ON OUR FINANCIAL
3 ABILITY IN PROVIDING SERVICES.

4

5 **FRED LEAF:** THERE'S NO QUESTION, MEDICAL ERRORS ARE-- AND ANY
6 ACTS OF MALPRACTICE ARE A SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL BURDEN TO
7 THIS-- POTENTIAL BURDEN TO THE COUNTY.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO CONDUCT THAT REVIEW
10 PANEL?

11

12 **FRED LEAF:** THAT'S CURRENTLY GOING ON? IT'S, WHAT, ABOUT
13 ANOTHER DAY AND A HALF?

14

15 **ROGER PEEKS:** ANOTHER DAY AND A HALF TO COMPLETE IT.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** COUPLE DAYS. OKAY. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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21 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, OF COURSE I HAVE A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS BUT,
22 FIRST OF ALL, YOU KNOW, THE DOCTORS ARE SUING US, THE P.S.A.
23 IS SUING US, AND, AT THE SAME TIME, WE'RE BEING HELD
24 RESPONSIBLE FOR SOME OF THE THINGS THEY'RE DOING.

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1 **FRED LEAF:** CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

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3 **SUP. BURKE:** AND IT'S VERY CLEAR TO ME THAT SOMEHOW THEY'RE
4 GOING TO HAVE TO GET THE NECESSARY PROCEDURES AND FOLLOW THOSE
5 PROCEDURES. I UNDERSTAND THAT, WHEN THEY WENT INTO COURT, THEY
6 WERE NOT WELL RECEIVED, BUT ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I'M
7 CONCERNED ABOUT THAT I'D LIKE SOME UNDERSTANDING, WHAT IS THE
8 SITUATION IN TERMS OF THE SURGEONS AT KING NOW? WE KNOW THAT
9 THE RESIDENCY PROGRAM TERMINATED JUNE 30TH. NOW, HOW ARE
10 THOSE-- SO THAT MEANS THERE'S NO TRAINING GOING ON. ARE ALL OF
11 THE PHYSICIANS NOW WHO, FOR INSTANCE, AT THAT TIME, ARE ALL OF
12 THOSE PHYSICIANS COUNTY EMPLOYEES, OR HOW IS THAT WORKING? WE
13 DON'T HAVE RESIDENTS. RIGHT?

14

15 **FRED LEAF:** YES. THE-- AND ROGER CAN TALK A LITTLE MORE ABOUT
16 THE DETAIL BUT WE HAVE, CURRENTLY, BETWEEN THE DIRECTLY
17 EMPLOYED PHYSICIANS AS WELL AS A FEW CONTRACT SURGEONS, THE
18 PROPER STAFFING TO COVER THE DUTIES THAT WERE PREVIOUSLY
19 HANDLED BY RESIDENTS IN LARGE PART WITH THE SUPERVISION OF
20 ATTENDING STAFF. AND, ROGER, YOU MIGHT WANT TO TALK A LITTLE
21 MORE ABOUT THAT.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** AND PARTICULARLY IN THE EMERGENCY ROOM, HOW IS
24 THAT BEING HANDLED?

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1 **ROGER PEEKS:** WELL, THE EMERGENCY ROOM STILL HAVE A TRAINING
2 PROGRAM SO THEY STILL HAVE RESIDENTS IN THE EMERGENCY ROOM. IN
3 SURGERY, THE FACULTY AND EMPLOYEES WHO WERE DOING THE
4 TEACHING-- WHO WERE DOING TEACHING AND DOING CLINICAL CARE,
5 ARE NOW JUST DOING THE CLINICAL CARE. SO THEY HAVE AN EXTRA
6 BURDEN, THEY'RE WORKING HARDER THAN THEY WORKED BEFORE. AND WE
7 BROUGHT ON SOME EXTRA STAFF IN TERMS OF PHYSICIANS ASSISTANTS
8 TO HELP WITH SOME OF THE MORE MENIAL TASKS BUT THE SURGEONS
9 ARE MOSTLY DOING MOST OF THE WORK THAT THE RESIDENTS USED TO
10 DO.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** WHAT DOES THAT AMOUNT TO IN TERMS OF NUMBERS OF
13 PHYSICIANS AVAILABLE? ARE THERE ADEQUATE PHYSICIANS TO COVER
14 ALL OF THE PATIENTS IN THE SURGERIES?

15

16 **ROGER PEEKS:** YEAH, THERE ARE ADEQUATE PHYSICIANS TO COVER ALL
17 THE SURGERIES. I THINK WHERE WE WILL HAVE PROBLEMS AS WE GO
18 FORWARD IS IT WOULD BE EASIER TO OVERWHELM THE SYSTEM THAN IT
19 HAS BEEN IN THE PAST BECAUSE THERE ARE FEWER BODIES AROUND. SO
20 THERE MAY BE TIMES THAT, WHEN WE GET MULTIPLE TRAUMAS IN, WE
21 MAY NOT BE ABLE TO HANDLE AS MANY MULTIPLE TRAUMAS AS WE HAVE
22 BEEN ABLE TO HANDLE IN THE PAST.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** SO IN EMERGENCY ROOM, THOSE PHYSICIANS ALSO DO
25 SURGERY, THE EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS?



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2 **ROGER PEEKS:** NO, THEY DON'T DO SURGERY.

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** SO, ACTUALLY, IN THE EMERGENCY ROOM, YOU ARE
5 DEPENDENT UPON THOSE SURGEONS, THEN, WHO COME IN?

6

7 **ROGER PEEKS:** SO, IN EMERGENCY ROOM, THEY DO THE INITIAL
8 SCREENING OF THE PATIENTS AND, IF THEY HAVE TO HAVE SURGERY,
9 THEY'RE HANDED OFF TO THE SURGERY DEPARTMENT.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** RIGHT. SO THE PHYSICIAN WHO IS WORKING IN THIS
12 CASE, WAS THIS A COUNTY EMPLOYEE OR A CONSULTANT?

13

14 **ROGER PEEKS:** IN THIS CASE, IT WAS A COUNTY EMPLOYEE.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** IT WAS A COUNTY EMPLOYEE? ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ARE THERE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JUST WHEN IS THE REPORT ON THIS GOING TO BE
21 DONE?

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23 **FRED LEAF:** THE ROOT CAUSE WILL BE COMPLETED WITHIN TWO DAYS
24 AND THE REPORT WILL BE-- THIS IS TUESDAY. THE REPORT WILL BE
25 TO YOU FRIDAY.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WILL THAT BE A PUBLIC DOCUMENT?

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4 **FRED LEAF:** IT CAN BE WRITTEN AS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT IF WE KEEP
5 THE PATIENT NAMES OUT AND SO ON, BUT THE DETAILED REPORT WILL
6 NOT BE.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. AND IS THE DETAILED REPORT GOING
9 TO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO US OR...

10

11 **FRED LEAF:** YES.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ...IS IT JUST INTERNAL FOR USE...

14

15 **FRED LEAF:** NO, IT WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE BOARD MEMBERS.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD JUST ENCOURAGE THAT WHATEVER YOU CAN
18 MAKE PUBLIC IN LIGHT OF THE CONTEXT OF THIS WHOLE THING, THAT
19 WHATEVER YOU CAN MAKE PUBLIC, YOU OUGHT TO MAKE PUBLIC, AND
20 WHATEVER YOU CAN'T, OBVIOUSLY, YOU CAN'T. YOU'VE GOT TO
21 PROTECT NAMES AND ALL THAT SORT OF THING BUT I WOULD ENCOURAGE
22 YOU TO ERR-- NOT ERR, BUT TO BE AS DISCLOSURE-FRIENDLY AS
23 POSSIBLE WITHIN THE LIMITS OF WHAT YOUR LIMITATIONS ARE. BOY,
24 THAT'S A GREAT SENTENCE. ANYWAY...

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1 **FRED LEAF:** WE'LL MAKE THAT EFFORT. ABSOLUTELY.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ANY OTHER ADJOURNMENTS THERE, ZEV?

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, AND I DON'T THINK I WAS HOLDING
6 ANYTHING. THE ONLY THING WE HAVE IS THE SPECIAL ITEM, WHICH I
7 THINK IS...

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** RIGHT. WELL...

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ...STILL A FEW THINGS. ALL RIGHT. I'M DONE.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** (OFF-MIKE).

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** GENEVIEVE, YOU'LL HAVE TO WAIT FOR PUBLIC
16 COMMENT TO ADDRESS YOUR ISSUE. THANK YOU. IT WASN'T AGENDIZED.
17 OKAY. I HAVE SEVERAL ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST OF ALL, SADLY, THAT
18 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CHERYL EPPLER. CHERYL IS A LONG-TIME
19 FRIEND AND A CURRENT MEMBER OF THE CERRITOS COLLEGE BOARD OF
20 TRUSTEES WHO PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY LAST WEEK. HER HUSBAND, BOB,
21 MANY OF YOU REMEMBER, WAS A FORMER MEMBER OF THE STATE
22 LEGISLATURE. SHE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND
23 FRIENDS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, BOB, DAUGHTER,
24 NICOLE, AND MANY FRIENDS AND RELATIVES THROUGHOUT THE AREA.
25 ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ED KILLINGSWORTH, AN



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1 EXCEPTIONAL ARCHITECT WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 86. HE WAS
2 BORN IN TAFT IN 1917, MOVED TO LONG BEACH AND HE ATTENDED
3 WILSON HIGH SCHOOL, EARNED HIS BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURE FROM
4 U.S.C. HIS PROFESSIONAL CAREER WAS DELAYED BY HIS SERVICE IN
5 THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS. HE MARRIED HIS
6 WIFE, LAURA, IN 1943. HE WENT TO WORK WITH THE ARCHITECT
7 KENNETH WING AND, ANYWAY, HE WENT ON TO A VERY AWARD-WINNING
8 CAREER THAT HAS SPANNED NEARLY SEVEN DECADES. HE HELPED DESIGN
9 MANY OF LONG BEACH'S MOST PROMINENT PUBLIC PLACES, INCLUDING
10 CITY HALL, THE MAIN LIBRARY, THE CONVENTION AND ENTERTAINMENT
11 CENTER AND CAL STATE LONG BEACH. HE WILL BE MISSED BY HIS
12 FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 61 YEARS,
13 LAURA, TWO SONS, GREG AND KIM, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN AND THREE
14 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY TODAY OF
15 MRS. JANE BLAKEMORE. JANE WAS A LONG-TIME EL SEGUNDO RESIDENT
16 AND WAS THE FIRST LADY OF EL SEGUNDO FROM 1986 TO 1988. DURING
17 HER TIME AS FIRST LADY, SHE WAS A WELL RESPECTED MEMBER OF THE
18 LOCAL COMMUNITY. SHE OWNED THE RESTAURANT, GOLDIE'S, IN THE
19 '80S AND THEN WENT ON TO WORK AT THE CHEVRON REFINERY. SHE
20 WILL BE MISSED BY HER FAMILY. I ALSO, EVEN THOUGH IT'S ON THE
21 AGENDA, COUNTY COUNSEL, I BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE THE REWARD IN
22 PLACE TO BE ABLE TO DO SOMETHING. JULIA DEE DEE KELLER OF EL
23 SEGUNDO WAS LAST SEEN THURSDAY AT 11:30 P.M. HER CAR, A SILVER
24 MERCEDES. ANYWAY, KELLER WAS A VERY ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE
25 COMMUNITY THERE IN EL SEGUNDO. SHE WAS AN AGENT WITH SHOREWOOD



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1 REALTORS MANHATTAN BEACH OFFICE, AND SHE MISSED HER WEEKEND
2 APPOINTMENTS, NEVER CHECKED HER E-MAIL AND HER VOICE MAIL AND
3 EL SEGUNDO POLICE DETECTIVES ARE WORKING THE CASE. BUT, ON
4 MONDAY, CONSULTED WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HOMICIDE
5 DETECTIVES. SO I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT WE OFFER A \$5,000
6 REWARD FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF
7 THE PERPETRATORS OF THIS MOST SERIOUS CRIME. THOSE ARE MY
8 ADJOURNMENTS. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALSO WANT TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
11 OF DR. STEINBERG. WARREN WAS THE VICE PRINCIPAL WHERE I TAUGHT
12 AT UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL IN WEST LOS ANGELES AND ALSO WE
13 CROSSED PATHS WITH HIS WORK ON THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION.
14 HE WAS A REAL INNOVATOR, A NICE MAN, WELL RESPECTED BY THE
15 STUDENT BODY AND BY HIS FELLOW COLLEAGUES, WHO TAUGHT. ALSO,
16 IN MEMORY OF JUDGE JAMES EDSON. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE
17 SUPERIOR COURT. HE PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 30TH. HE SERVED-- HE
18 WAS APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR DEUKMEJIAN IN 1989 AS A MEMBER OF
19 THE BAR ASSOCIATION, FORMER PRESIDENT, UNIVERSITY OF REDLANDS
20 ALUMNI AND OPTIMIST CLUB AND Y.M.C.A. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
21 WIFE AND FOUR CHILDREN. BETH FLORENCE FREEMAN ASPEN. SHE WAS
22 THE-- FOR 25 YEARS, SERVED AS HEAD OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS FOR
23 THE LOS ANGELES TENTH DISTRICT P.T.A. ALSO ACTIVE MEMBER OF
24 THE HOLLYWOOD HILLTOPPERS REPUBLICAN CLUB AS WELL AS AWARDED
25 THE LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP. PAUL HENRY BENDER, WHO WAS THE



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1 PIONEER IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE BURBANK NBC STUDIOS. HE
2 RETIRED AS VICE PRESIDENT OF NBC. HE WAS ALSO THE SON-IN-LAW
3 TO WALTER KNOTT WITH KNOTT'S BERRY FARM. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
4 TWO SONS, WILLIAM AND ROBERT, AS WELL AS HIS TWO SISTERS,
5 GERRI AND JANE. MILDRED BEACH CHAVEZ. SHE WAS A WORLD WAR II
6 VETERAN. SHE WAS A SPECIALIST GUNNER, PETTY OFFICER SECOND
7 CLASS, AND AN INSTRUCTOR IN ADVANCED AERIAL GUNNERY AT THE
8 JACKSONVILLE NAVAL AIR STATION. SHE WAS ALSO PRESIDENT AT THE
9 TIME OF THE YOUNG REPUBLICAN WOMEN AND NATIONAL MEMBER OF
10 WAVES. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND AND HER FIVE CHILDREN
11 AND TWO STEPCHILDREN. MEMORY OF ERIC DOUGLAS, THE FOURTH-
12 YOUNGEST SON OF KIRK AND ANN DOUGLAS. HE WAS BOTH A STAND-UP
13 COMIC AND AN ACTOR. MELVIN FIELDS, WHO WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF
14 TEMPLE SINAI OF GLENDALE AND ALSO PAST PRESIDENT OF THE TEMPLE
15 SINAI CONGREGATION. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, LORRAINE, AND
16 THEIR THREE CHILDREN. AND MAJOR GEORGE S. PATTON, IV, WHO WAS
17 A CAREER ARMY OFFICER. LES, HIS FATHER, WHO WAS ALSO A
18 GENERAL. HE PASSED AWAY AT AGE 80 FROM PARKINSON'S DISEASE.
19 HIS FATHER PROUD ALUMNUS OF SOUTH PASADENA HIGH SCHOOL, GREW
20 UP IN THE SAN GABRIEL AREA, AND IS WELL RESPECTED IN HIS
21 FAMILY IN EDUCATION. THOSE ARE THE ADJOURNMENTS, MR. CHAIRMAN.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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25 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T HAVE ANY.



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2 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY.

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4 SUP. ANTONOVICH: ALSO, I HAVE A PARKS MOTION FOR NEXT-- ALSO
5 CAPTAIN DAVID TRUMAN, WHO WAS A MEMBER OF THE SAN DIMAS
6 MOUNTAIN RESCUE TEAM, WHO PASSED AWAY. HE HAS A WIFE AND FOUR
7 CHILDREN. A MOTION FOR NEXT WEEK, WHICH WOULD BE DEALING WITH
8 THE-- RECENTLY, THE DEPARTMENT IMPLEMENTED A NEW METHOD FOR
9 OPERATING A SWIM BEACH AREA IN CASTAIC LAKE. FENCE WAS
10 RESTALLED AND RESTRICTED TO THE SWIM BEACH AREA TO PAYING
11 CUSTOMERS ONLY. ON JULY 11TH, THERE WAS A TRAGIC ACCIDENT
12 WHERE A 12-YEAR-OLD BOY WAS DROWNED. HE HAD ENTERED THE SWIM
13 BEACH WITHOUT BEING ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT. WHILE THE COUNTY
14 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND REC HAVE RESTORED LIFEGUARD
15 SERVICES TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ALL VISITORS, IT IS VITAL
16 THAT A DROWNING-- FOLLOWING A DROWNING INCIDENT, WE REEVALUATE
17 THE CURRENT PROCEDURES AND TAKE APPROPRIATE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS
18 WHEN NECESSARY. I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT
19 OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO REVIEW THE CURRENT PROCEDURES AND
20 PRACTICES FOR SWIM BEACH AND BOAT PATROL LAKE LIFEGUARD
21 SERVICES, THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE NEWLY INSTALLED FENCE
22 SURROUNDING THE SWIM BEACH AREA, MAKE ANY NECESSARY
23 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN THOSE POLICIES,
24 PROCEDURES, PRACTICES, OR INTERNAL CONTROLS TO MAXIMIZE SAFETY
25 IN SWIMMING AND BOATING AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD WITH



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1 THEIR FINDING WITHIN TWO WEEKS. MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT IS A REPORT
2 ON THE DEATH THAT JUST OCCURRED, IF WE COULD GET A REPORT BACK
3 IN TWO WEEKS.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR BURKE, YOU HAD
6 A MOTION AS WELL FOR A REPORT BACK?

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8 **SUP. BURKE:** YES, THE MOTION THAT I MADE-- I SAID I WAS
9 INTRODUCING IT NEXT WEEK. SINCE IT'S A REPORT BACK, ON
10 SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2004, I UNDERSTAND THAT I CAN MAKE THAT MOTION
11 NOW. YOU HAVE IT IN FRONT OF YOU IN WRITING, AND I WOULD MAKE
12 THE MOTION, I WOULD MOVE IT AT THIS TIME.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** PARDON ME?

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** I MOVE IT AT THIS TIME.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
19 SO ORDERED.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALSO, A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE AND
22 MYSELF, WHICH WILL BE INTRODUCED TODAY FOR NEXT WEEK'S AGENDA,
23 AND THAT WOULD BE WE WOULD MOVE THAT A BALLOT MEASURE BE
24 PLACED ON THE NOVEMBER 2ND, 2004 BALLOT TO PUT BEFORE VOTERS
25 THE QUESTION, SHALL THE COUNTY SEAL BE PRESERVED AS THE DESIGN



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1 IN 1957 RETAINING THE SMALL CROSS? "YES" OR "NO". AND THAT
2 WOULD BE ON FOR NEXT WEEK. MR. KNABE WASN'T HERE AT THE TIME.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S FOR NEXT WEEK.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. FOR NEXT WEEK. SO ORDERED. OKAY.
9 IT IS JUST A FEW MINUTES AFTER 11:00. WE HAVE A SET ITEM, S-1.
10 HOPEFULLY HAVE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN A LITTLE WHILE, BUT
11 CHIEF FREEMAN JUST NOTIFIED US THAT WE LOST A FIRE CAPTAIN
12 THIS MORNING, AND WE'LL KNOW MORE DETAILS LATER. OKAY. AS IT
13 RELATES TO S-1, SHERIFF, WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO FIRST? WE HAVE A
14 NUMBER OF THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. DO YOU WANT THEM TO
15 ADDRESS IT AND THEN YOU GO LAST? OR HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO
16 IT?

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW ABOUT A REPORT FROM THE C.A.O.?

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** HOW ABOUT A REPORT FROM C.A.O. FIRST AND
21 THEN WE'LL HAVE THE SHERIFF COME UP AND THEN WE'LL HAVE
22 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK.

23

24 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, BOARD MEMBERS. WE
25 HAVE PROVIDED, FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION, AN AMENDED ORDINANCE



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1 RELATED TO THE DIRECTION BY THE BOARD ON JUNE 29TH, PROPOSED
2 SOME CLARIFICATIONS TO THE ORDINANCE. YOU ASKED US TO MEET
3 WITH THE STAKEHOLDERS TO SEE IF WE COULD DEVELOP A CONSENSUS
4 ON AN APPROACH THAT INCLUDED, IN PART, ADDITIONAL RESOURCES
5 FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY, GENERAL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE
6 GOING TO BE IMPACTED BY THE HIRING OF NEW POLICE OFFICERS AND
7 DEPUTY SHERIFFS IN THE ORGANIZATION, AND THE BOARD LETTER IN
8 FRONT OF YOU, THE ORDINANCE IN FRONT OF YOU, RECOMMENDS THAT
9 9% OF THE REVENUES GO TO CUSTODY, 3 1/2% TO THE DISTRICT
10 ATTORNEY, 2 1/2% TO OTHER IMPACTED PUBLIC SAFETY ENTITIES IN
11 THE COUNTY, AND 2% FOR INTEROPERABILITY WAS ALWAYS PART OF THE
12 ORIGINAL ORDINANCE. AT THAT POINT, THE REMAINING FUNDS WOULD
13 BE ALLOCATED BASED ON A MINIMUM \$500,000 AND POPULATION. AND
14 THE FIGURES ARE REASONABLY CLOSE, I WOULD SAY, TO WHAT THE
15 SHERIFF HAD RECOMMENDED CITY BY CITY IN HIS PROPOSED
16 ORDINANCE. ALSO, THE BOARD, I THINK, ASKED THAT WE TAKE A LOOK
17 AT SUPPLANTATION LANGUAGE. THERE IS A MAINTENANCE EFFORT
18 REQUIREMENT INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE THAT MOVES THE
19 BASE EACH YEAR, WHICH IS A PRETTY STRICT PROTECTION, IN MY
20 OPINION, TO THE USE OF THESE MONIES AND PROP 172. WITH RESPECT
21 TO YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE INCORPORATED AREA, THERE'S
22 ALSO LANGUAGE INCLUDED THAT ADDRESSES HOW AND UNDER WHAT
23 CONDITIONS THE UNINCORPORATED AREA AUTHORITY MONEY WOULD BE
24 USED. AND IT ESTABLISHES AN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE THAT WAS
25 EXPANDED PURSUANT TO A REQUEST BY THE BOARD. THIS ORDINANCE



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1 WAS DISCUSSED ON FRIDAY WITH THE STAKEHOLDER CITIES, POLICE
2 DEPARTMENTS, SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, BOARD OFFICES, FIRE
3 DEPARTMENTS, AND I BELIEVE THERE IS A CONSENSUS TO THE
4 RECOMMENDATIONS. WE HAVE STAFF HERE THAT CAN ANSWER ANY
5 DETAILED QUESTIONS THAT YOU HAVE. THAT WOULD COMPLETE MY
6 COMMENTS, MR. CHAIRMAN.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ANY QUESTIONS OF THE C.A.O. BEFORE
9 WE...?

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE-- I JUST WANT TO SAY I HAVE A NUMBER
12 OF QUESTIONS BUT I'LL WAIT UNTIL AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING TO
13 ASK THEM.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SHERIFF BACA.

16

17 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES. FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN
18 AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD FOR ALL THE WORK THAT YOUR STAFF AND
19 YOURSELVES HAVE BEEN PUT INTO, I THINK, IMPROVING THIS
20 INITIATIVE. I THINK THAT IT'S CLEAR THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS
21 ANGELES NEEDS MORE SUPPORT FROM ITS CITIZENS WHEN IT COMES TO
22 PUBLIC SAFETY, THAT THE JAILS HAVE BEEN AN INCREDIBLY
23 DIFFICULT THING TO MANAGE WITH REDUCED RESOURCES TO THE
24 COUNTY, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN PARTICULAR. \$168 MILLION
25 CUT IN THE LAST 25 MONTHS HAS BEEN, QUITE FRANKLY, VERY, VERY



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1 DIFFICULT IN TERMS OF HOW WE OPERATE OUR JAILS AND WE'VE ALSO
2 LOST 300 COMMUNITY-BASED POLICING DEPUTIES ON THE FRONT LINE,
3 NOT TO MENTION THE HOMELAND SECURITY OBLIGATIONS THAT WE NOW
4 HAVE. I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR YOUR THOUGHTFULNESS.
5 ALL OF YOU HAVE WORKED VERY HARD WITH THIS. IT'S NOT SIMPLE,
6 IT'S NOT EASY, BUT IT IS IMPORTANT, AND I IMPORE THAT, WITH
7 ALL THE WORK THAT'S BEEN DONE THROUGHOUT THIS COUNTY, EACH
8 CITY HAS REVIEWED IT. NO ONE IS GETTING EVERYTHING THEY WANT.
9 THERE'S SOME ISSUES, OBVIOUSLY, AS TO HOW THE FUNDING UNDER A
10 POPULATION FORMULA BEST IS USED BUT WE DO NEED TO KNOW THIS:
11 THAT CRIME IS MERELY A CIRCUMSTANCE OF OPPORTUNITY AND THERE
12 ISN'T ONE PERSON ANYWHERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
13 RESIDING IN ANY CITY THAT SEES AN ABUNDANCE OF RADIO CARS ON
14 THE STREETS. NOWHERE. I DON'T CARE IF YOU GO TO BEVERLY HILLS,
15 AGOURA HILLS, LOST HILLS, OR ANY OTHER PART OF THIS COUNTY.
16 THERE IS A NEED FOR MORE BLACK AND WHITES ON THE STREET. THERE
17 IS A NEED FOR MORE PROSECUTORS IN THE COURT. THERE IS A NEED
18 FOR THE JAILS TO BE FULLY FUNCTIONAL AND THERE IS A NEED TO
19 TELL THE TRUTH TO THE PUBLIC OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THIS IS A
20 TRUTH INITIATIVE. THIS IS A REALISTIC STATEMENT OF NEED. LONG
21 BEFORE 9/11, LONG BEFORE THE CURRENT RECESSION, LONG BEFORE
22 THE RECESSION OF THE EARLY '90S, WE HAVE NOT BEEN TRUTHFUL TO
23 THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN TERMS OF HOW WE, IN LAW
24 ENFORCEMENT, HAVE HAD TO DO MUCH MORE WITH LESS. SO I JUST SAY
25 THOSE COMMENTS IN GRATITUDE FOR TODAY. WE CAN DO BETTER. WE



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1 MUST DO BETTER. LET'S NOT ERODE THE OPPORTUNITY THAT WE NOW
2 HAVE BUILT IN EVERY CITY AND EVERY PART OF OUR COUNTY. I'LL
3 SAVE ANY OTHER COMMENTS FOR THE END, AND I THANK YOU, MR.
4 CHAIRMAN, FOR HAVING THIS MATTER BEFORE US TODAY.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. PADILLA, MR. GARCETTI.

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8 **ALEX PADILLA:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS. WE WERE HERE TWO WEEKS AGO, AS YOU KNOW, WITH
10 MORE THAN HALF THE CITIES IN THE COUNTY REPRESENTED IN THE
11 FORM OF A MAYOR, THE FORM OF A COUNCIL MEMBER, THE FORM OF A
12 CHIEF OF POLICE, ASKING YOU, IMPLORING YOU, URGING YOU, TO
13 PLEASE PLACE THIS MEASURE ON THE BALLOT AND TO LET THE VOTERS
14 DECIDE WHETHER THEY ARE WILLING TO EMBRACE A HALF CENT SALES
15 TAX INCREASE FOR THE PURPOSES OF PUBLIC SAFETY. WE
16 DEMONSTRATED THAT SHOW OF SUPPORT TWO WEEKS AGO TO MAKE IT
17 CLEAR TO ALL OF YOU THAT THERE IS SUPPORT OUT THERE IN THE
18 COMMUNITY, THERE IS SUPPORT OUT THERE COUNTYWIDE FOR THIS TYPE
19 OF INVESTMENT. AND WE'RE ASKING YOU TO GIVE US THAT
20 OPPORTUNITY, AS VOTERS, TO APPROVE SUCH A MEASURE THIS
21 NOVEMBER. SINCE THAT DAY, SINCE THAT MEETING OF TWO WEEKS AGO,
22 A LOT HAS HAPPENED. I BELIEVE, IN WORKING WITH THE SHERIFF AND
23 EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOUR OFFICES, WE'VE ADDRESSED SUPERVISOR
24 KNABE'S CONCERNS ABOUT THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORTS AND THE
25 ACCOUNTABILITY CLAUSES WITHIN THE BALLOT MEASURE TO ENSURE



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1 THAT, IF THIS MEASURE IS APPROVED, THAT IT DOES GO TOWARDS
2 PUBLIC SAFETY AND DOESN'T GET SIPHONED OFF INTO OTHER AREAS OF
3 CITIES' RESPONSIBILITIES. I ALSO THINK WE'VE GONE A LONG WAY
4 IN ADDRESSING SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S PRIMARY CONCERNS ABOUT
5 ALLOWING SOME FLEXIBILITY FOR THESE FUNDS TO NOT JUST BE USED
6 FOR POLICE OFFICERS AND DEPUTY SHERIFFS BUT TO BE ABLE TO FUND
7 PREVENTION PROGRAMS, PARK PROGRAMS, THINGS OF THAT NATURE, TO
8 TAKE A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO PUBLIC SAFETY, AND I THINK
9 WE'VE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN DOING THAT. BUT MEMBERS OF THE BOARD
10 OF SUPERVISORS, LET ME ALSO SHARE WITH YOU SOMETHING THAT'S
11 HAPPENED IN THE LAST TWO WEEKS, AND, IN FACT, IT'S SOMETHING
12 THAT HAPPENED JUST IN THE LAST COUPLE OF DAYS IN MY DISTRICT
13 AND IN SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S DISTRICT. IT WASN'T A BIG
14 GANG-RELATED INCIDENT THAT HAS CAUGHT SOME HEADLINES. IT
15 WASN'T A BIG INCIDENT OF THAT NATURE. IT WAS A FAMILY DISPUTE,
16 A FAMILY DISPUTE ON SUNDAY NIGHT THAT RESULTED IN EIGHT
17 INJURIES FROM GUNSHOT WOUNDS AND ONE FATALITY. I SHARE THAT
18 WITH ALL OF YOU BECAUSE, AS WE'RE ALL WORKING COLLECTIVELY TO
19 SHED THE HOMICIDE CAPITAL OF THE COUNTRY TITLE FROM LOS
20 ANGELES, AS WE'RE WORKING COLLECTIVELY TO REDUCE CRIME, AS
21 WE'RE WORKING COLLECTIVELY TO ABATE NARCOTICS ACTIVITY IN THE
22 COUNTY, I'M JUST CONSTANTLY REMINDED THAT IT'S GOING TO TAKE A
23 SIGNIFICANT EXPANSION OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND EVERY
24 POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE COUNTY TO TRULY ACHIEVE THOSE GOALS.
25 WE'RE NOT GOING TO SEE THE LEVEL OF CRIME REDUCTION, WE'RE NOT



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1 GOING TO SEE THE LEVEL OF TRUE COMMUNITY-BASED POLICING UNTIL
2 WE GAIN THESE EXPANSIONS OF THESE DEPARTMENTS AND OF THESE
3 AGENCIES. AND, GIVEN THE ECONOMIC REALITY THAT WE'RE LIVING
4 IN, GIVEN THE REALITY OF THE DEMANDS, THE STRAINS ON THE
5 COUNTY'S BUDGET, THE CITY'S BUDGET AND THE STATE'S BUDGET,
6 IT'S GOING TO TAKE AN OUT OF THE BOX MEASURE LIKE THIS TO FIND
7 THE MONEY NECESSARY TO EXPAND THE POLICE DEPARTMENTS AND
8 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AS WE NEED TO. I SHARE THIS WITH YOU
9 BECAUSE THIS INCIDENT THAT OCCURRED SUNDAY NIGHT WAS NOT A
10 GANG-RELATED INCIDENT, IT WASN'T A DRUG DEAL GONE BAD. IT WAS
11 A DOMESTIC DISPUTE. BUT IF WE HAD THE NUMBER OF POLICE
12 OFFICERS THAT WE KNOW NEED AND DESERVE, THEN WE COULD HAVE HAD
13 COMMUNITY-BASED POLICING RELATIONSHIPS THAT COULD HAVE AVERTED
14 THIS TYPE OF INCIDENT. IT'S NOT JUST THE GANG ACTIVITY, IT'S
15 NOT JUST THE BOTCHED DRUG DEAL. IT'S EVERYDAY COMMON TYPES OF
16 CRIMES THAT ARE SHEDDING BLOOD IN THIS COUNTY THAT WE'RE
17 TRYING TO PUT AN END TO. I THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION
18 AND URGE YOUR SUPPORT.

19
20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ERIC?

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22 **ERIC GARCETTI:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIR, AND I KNOW HOW
23 PRECIOUS YOUR TIME IS, SO I'LL TRY TO KEEP MY COMMENTS TO A
24 MINUTE AND A HALF. IT'S AN HONOR AND PRIVILEGE TO BE HERE
25 AGAIN, AND I THANK YOU ALL FOR THE HARD WORK THAT YOU HAVE



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1 DONE ON THIS. AND, AGAIN, I WANT TO START WHERE I STARTED LAST
2 TIME. YOU HAVE SUCCEEDED. YOU HAVE SUCCEEDED IN BRINGING
3 TOGETHER THE CITIES OF THIS COUNTY WHO NEVER SPEAK TO EACH
4 OTHER AT THIS LEVEL, WHO NEVER COME TOGETHER. 44 CITIES
5 STANDING ALONGSIDE EACH OTHER, I THINK, IS UNPRECEDENTED. I'VE
6 ONLY BEEN IN OFFICE THREE YEARS, SO MAYBE IT'S HAPPENED IN THE
7 PAST BEFORE I'VE COME HERE BUT, CERTAINLY, IN MY TIME IN
8 OFFICE, I'VE NEVER SEEN THIS AND I THANK YOU FOR THAT. I'VE
9 GATHERED SIGNATURES IN FOUR OF YOUR DISTRICTS, IN GLENDALE, IN
10 ATWATER VILLAGE, IN ECHO PARK AND WILSHIRE CENTER. THERE ARE
11 PEOPLE OUT THERE IN THE GRASSROOTS WHO FEEL SO STRONGLY ABOUT
12 THIS. I'VE TALKED TO SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES, I'VE TALKED TO POLICE
13 OFFICERS WHO SAY, PLEASE, WHEN THIS GETS ON THE BALLOT, I'M
14 WORKING MY DAYS OFF TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS PASSES. THIS IS AN
15 HONEST, ACCOUNTABLE, IMPACTFUL, INTELLIGENT, AND NON-PERMANENT
16 INITIATIVE. IT'S HONEST BECAUSE YOU GET WHAT YOU PAY FOR, IT
17 IS ACCOUNTABLE BECAUSE OF AN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. IT IS
18 IMPACTFUL AT A HALF CENT. IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE IN A CITY LIKE
19 LOS ANGELES. IT'S INTELLIGENT BECAUSE WORKING WITH SUPERVISOR
20 MOLINA AND MANY OF US BELIEVE YOU HAVE TO BE TOUGH ON CRIME
21 AND TOUGH ON THE SOURCES OF CRIME, IT ALLOWS US TO GO AFTER
22 CRIME PREVENTION. AND IT'S ALSO NOT A PERMANENT THING. IN 15
23 YEARS, WE HAVE THE ABILITY, IF THE ECONOMY IS AT A GOOD PLACE,
24 IF WE CAN DO THIS WITHOUT HAVING THE SALES TAX, WE CAN REPEAL
25 THAT. IT IS UNPRECEDENTED WHAT HAS COME TOGETHER BUT IT IS A



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1 RARE AND A FRAGILE COALITION. I ASK YOU TO HOLD THE LINE, PUT
2 THIS ON AS HALF CENT. AND LASTLY, AND LET ME JUST END ON THIS,
3 WE HAVE THE SAME JOB AS YOU DO: TO TRY TO KEEP OUR BOOKS
4 BALANCED, TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE ARE GETTING WHAT THEY PAY
5 FOR. WHEN THIS HAPPENED IN NEW YORK, A PERIOD OF THE LONGEST
6 PERIOD OF ECONOMIC PROSPERITY SEEN IN DECADES IN NEW YORK
7 HAPPENED. 50 HOTELS WERE BUILT. COMPANIES CAME BACK AN
8 HEADQUARTERED IN NEW YORK AGAIN. JOBS STAYED. IF YOU WANT TO
9 LOOK AT YOUR OVERALL REVENUE PICTURE, THIS WILL NOT ONLY PAY
10 FOR ITSELF. WE WILL BE ABLE TO SEE A PERIOD OF UNPRECEDENTED
11 ECONOMIC GROWTH IN THIS CITY BECAUSE PUBLIC SAFETY LEADS TO
12 THAT. WE CAN LITERALLY DOUBLE THE NUMBER OF POLICE OFFICERS ON
13 THE STREET AT ANY GIVEN TIME IN LOS ANGELES WITH THIS
14 INITIATIVE. I IMPORE YOU AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH. PUT THIS ON
15 THE BALLOT AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK. AND WE'VE GIVEN THIS
16 TO YOU FOR THE RECORD AS WELL, OUR LETTER.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ASK DAVE SPENCE, DAVE OLIVITO,
19 JACKIE MCHENRY. AND JIM BOULGARIDES TO JOIN UP HERE AS WELL.
20 OKAY, DAVE?

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22 **DAVE SPENCE:** OKAY, YES. CHAIRMAN KNABE AND MEMBERS OF THE L.A.
23 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS DAVE SPENCE, AND I'M
24 THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE CONTRACT CITIES ASSOCIATION OF L.A.
25 ALSO A COUNCIL MEMBER FROM THE CITY OF LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE.



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1 ON BEHALF OF THE 75 CITIES REPRESENTED BY THE CALIFORNIA
2 CONTRACT CITIES ASSOCIATION, 55 OF WHICH ARE IN LOS ANGELES
3 COUNTY, WE WISH TO COMMEND THE SHERIFF AND THE L.A. COUNTY
4 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR CONSIDERING AND ACTING UPON THIS
5 PUBLIC SAFETY MEASURE. THAT WILL ENHANCE OUR ABILITY TO
6 PROTECT OUR CITY AND COUNTY RESIDENTS. ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 7TH,
7 OUR EXECUTIVE BOARD WAS GIVEN A PRESENTATION BY SHERIFF BACA,
8 AND ULTIMATELY VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO URGE YOUR BOARD TO PLACE
9 THIS MEASURE ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT AND LET THE LOS ANGELES
10 COUNTY VOTERS DECIDE WHETHER TO TAX THEMSELVES TO ENHANCE
11 PUBLIC SAFETY. CONTRACT CITIES ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS
12 SUPPORTS YOUR EFFORTS ON PLACING THIS MEASURE ON THE NOVEMBER
13 BALLOT. WE THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO US AND WE URGE YOU TO
14 MAKE THIS AVAILABLE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE A QUESTION I'D LIKE TO
17 ASK.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I DO, TOO. GO AHEAD.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU'RE AWARE AWARE THAT THE-- YOU MAY BE
22 AWARE-- I'M NOT SURE YOU ARE, THAT, UNDER THE FORMULA THAT HAS
23 BEEN DRAFTED, BOTH BY THE SHERIFF AND BY THE COUNTY
24 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, THAT A GOOD PERCENTAGE OF THE CONTRACT
25 CITIES WILL RECEIVE UPWARDS OF WELL OVER 50% INCREASE, SOME OF



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1 THEM MUCH HIGHER THAN THAT, 75/ 80% INCREASE IN THEIR SO-
2 CALLED PUBLIC SAFETY BUDGETS. MY QUESTION TO YOU IS, HOW DO
3 YOU BELIEVE, AND WHETHER IT'S YOU, MR. OLIVITO WANT TO ANSWER
4 IT, HOW DO YOU BELIEVE THAT THE CITIES, SUCH CITIES, WILL
5 SPEND-- HOW WILL THEY SPEND THIS MONEY IN THEIR CITIES? AND,
6 WELL, LET ME START WITH THAT.

7

8 **DAVE SPENCE:** WELL, I DO BELIEVE THAT WE WILL SPEND IT, FIRST
9 OF ALL, BY PUTTING MORE POLICE OFFICERS IN THE CITY. WE-- MY
10 CITY HAS A BUDGET OF A LITTLE OVER \$1.2 MILLION. WE HAVE ONE
11 CAR 24 HOURS A DAY. WE WILL BE ABLE TO EXPAND AND PLACE MORE
12 CARS ON THE STREET. WE WILL BE ABLE TO HELP WITH THE SCHOOL
13 SYSTEM, WE WILL BE ABLE TO HAVE A RESOURCE OFFICER AT...

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT CITY ARE YOU WITH?

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17 **DAVE SPENCE:** LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE.

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21 **DAVE SPENCE.** YEAH. AND WE WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO JUST
22 GIVE MORE PROTECTION TO THE WHOLE AREA OF 21,000 PEOPLE THAT I
23 REPRESENT. SAM, YOU MIGHT WANT TO MAKE A COMMENT?

24



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1 >>**SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SIR, WHAT IS LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE'S PUBLIC
2 SAFETY BUDGET NOW?

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4 **DAVE SPENCE:** ABOUT 1.2 MILLION.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 1.2 MILLION?

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8 **DAVE SPENCE:** YES, SIR.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OUR FIGURES ARE 1.8 MILLION IS WHAT WE HAVE
11 FOR YOU. THAT'S THE CONTRACT RATE YOU PAY TO COUNTY.

12

13 **DAVE SPENCE:** I DON'T HAVE THAT IN FRONT OF ME RIGHT NOW. SAM,
14 YOU HAD IT.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME MAKE SURE I'M RIGHT ABOUT-- YEAH, I
17 HAVE 1.8 MILLION. AND LET'S, FOR THE SAKE OF ARGUMENT-- MAYBE
18 IT'S SOME INDIRECT COSTS THAT ARE INCLUDED IN THAT, I DON'T
19 KNOW, BUT LET'S JUST SAY, FOR THE SAKE OF ARGUMENT, THAT IT'S
20 1.8 MILLION. YOUR-- IF THE HALF CENT SALES TAX PASSES, YOUR
21 CITY WILL RECEIVE AN ADDITIONAL 1.4 MILLION, ALMOST DOUBLE.

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23 **DAVE SPENCE:** I SAW THAT.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW WILL YOU SPEND 1.4 MILLION?



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2 **DAVE SPENCE:** AS I SAID, WE WILL PLACE MORE CARS ON THE STREET.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW MANY CARS DO YOU HAVE NOW?

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6 **DAVE SPENCE:** WE HAVE ONE THREE TIMES A DAY.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FOR 1.8 MILLION, YOU GET ONE CAR THREE TIMES

9 A DAY? I GUESS THAT'S POSSIBLE, I GUESS, BECAUSE IT'S 24

10 HOURS, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK?

11

12 **DAVE SPENCE:** YES, RIGHT.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU WOULD PUT A SECOND CAR 24 HOURS A

15 DAY?

16

17 **DAVE SPENCE:** YES.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SEVEN DAYS A WEEK, OR AS MUCH AS YOU COULD?

20

21 **DAVE SPENCE:** WE WOULD PUT AS MUCH AS WE COULD. I DON'T HAVE

22 ALL THE NUMBERS IN FRONT OF ME, OBVIOUSLY, BUT THE CITY

23 MANAGER HAS REVIEWED IT AND WE CAN USE ALL THAT MONEY,

24 OBVIOUSLY, TO MAKE THE COMMUNITY SAFER.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU HAVE NO DOUBT THAT YOU COULD SPEND
2 ALL OF THE REVENUES FROM-- THAT YOU WOULD GET FROM A HALF A
3 CENT SALES TAX?

4

5 **DAVE SPENCE:** THAT IS CORRECT.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND YOU WOULD HAVE-- LET ME ASK YOU A
8 HYPOTHETICAL QUESTION. IF THIS MEASURE WERE TO INCLUDE A
9 PROVISION THAT ANY CITY THAT DIDN'T SPEND ALL OF ITS MONEY
10 OVER A PERIOD OF THREE OR FIVE YEARS, LET'S SAY, PICK OR
11 CHOOSE, IF YOU WEREN'T ABLE TO SPEND IT ALL IN ONE YEAR AND
12 YOU PUT IT INTO A TRUST FUND BUT THEN, AFTER THREE OR FIVE
13 YEARS, YOU STILL WEREN'T ABLE TO SPEND IT, THAT THOSE MONIES
14 WOULD REVERT TO THE COUNTYWIDE POT AND BE REDISTRIBUTED TO THE
15 OTHER CITIES WHO ARE SPENDING IT. YOU WOULD HAVE NO RETICENCE
16 ABOUT THAT SINCE YOU PLAN TO SPEND ALL OF YOUR MONEY, IS THAT
17 CORRECT?

18

19 **SAM OLIVITO:** IF I MIGHT, MR. SUPERVISOR?

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SURE.

22

23 **SAM OLIVITO:** I THINK THE ORDINANCE DOES SPEAK TO THAT WITH AN
24 AUDIT.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M SORRY? SAY THAT AGAIN?

2

3 **SAM OLIVITO:** I THINK THE ORDINANCE DOES SPEAK TO THAT AS IT
4 STANDS NOW.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ACTUALLY, IT DOESN'T SPEAK TO THAT YET.

7

8 **SAM OLIVITO:** I'M SORRY, I THOUGHT IT DID, IN RELATIONSHIP TO
9 AN AUDIT BEING PROVIDED SO THAT THE FUNDS WOULD BE UTILIZED
10 PROPERLY.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THERE'S NOTHING IN THE ORDINANCE, AS IT IS
13 NOW WRITTEN, THAT DEALS WITH THE ISSUE, AS I UNDERSTAND IT. I
14 READ IT. THERE'S NOTHING IN THE ORDINANCE AS IT IS NOW WRITTEN
15 THAT DEALS WITH THE POSSIBILITY THAT THERE ARE UNSPENT FUNDS.
16 THAT'S WHAT I'M...

17

18 **SAM OLIVITO:** OH, EXCUSE ME. I'M SORRY. I APOLOGIZE,
19 SUPERVISOR.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO PROBLEM. NO PROBLEM.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, I THINK, TOO, THAT-- I THINK THERE
24 NEEDS TO BE A POINT OF CLARIFICATION IN YOUR QUESTION HERE.



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1 FIRST OF ALL, MR. SPENCE, YOU SPEAK ON BEHALF OF CONTRACT
2 CITIES AS IT RELATES TO PLACING IT ON THE BALLOT.

3

4 **DAVE SPENCE:** YES, THAT'S CORRECT.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THE ASSOCIATION IS NOT TAKING A POSITION ON
7 THE DETAILS OF WHETHER OR NOT THEY SUPPORT THE-- YOU KNOW, THE
8 BALLOT INITIATIVE. RIGHT?

9

10 **DAVE SPENCE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. SUPERVISOR.

11

12 **SAM OLIVITO:** THAT'S CORRECT.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** TWO SEPARATE ISSUES HERE.

15

16 **DAVE SPENCE:** THAT'S CORRECT.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WAS JUST TRYING-- AND I APPRECIATE THAT
19 AND I UNDERSTAND THAT. I WANT TO UNDERSTAND, MECHANICALLY, NOT
20 JUST WITH CONTRACT CITIES, BY THE WAY, BUT YOU JUST HAPPEN TO
21 BE HERE, BUT ALSO THE INDEPENDENT CITIES WHICH HAVE A SIMILAR
22 ISSUE. WHAT HAPPENS? IT'S INSTRUCTIVE TO ME TO SEE THAT, IN
23 THE CASE OF LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE, THAT YOU HAVE ONE PATROL CAR
24 THAT YOU'RE PAYING FOR 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK.

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1 **DAVE SPENCE:** RIGHT.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE A LOT FOR EVEN A
4 TOWN AS SMALL AS LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE.

5

6 **DAVE SPENCE:** NO, IT'S NOT BECAUSE WE HAVE A LOT OF HILLS AND
7 WE HAVE BUSINESSES AND A NUMBER OF THINGS THAT MAKE IT MORE
8 DIFFICULT TO HANDLE PUBLIC POLICE PROTECTION WITH ONE CAR.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU HAVE NO DOUBT-- I MEAN, THE BOTTOM
11 LINE IS, AS IT RELATES TO LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE, YOU HAVE NO
12 DOUBT THAT, IF YOU GOT WHAT HAS BEEN CALCULATED BY MY CRACK
13 STAFF, A 75% INCREASE IN YOUR REVENUES, THAT YOU WOULD GET AS
14 CLOSE TO A SECOND CAR 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK AS YOU
15 CAN?

16

17 **DAVE SPENCE:** YES.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND YOU HAVE NO DOUBT THAT-- OKAY. NOW,
20 MAYBE SAM HERE IS THE GUY TO ASK IN A MORE GENERIC SENSE, DO
21 YOU BELIEVE THAT THIS IS THE EXPERIENCE THAT MOST OF THE OTHER
22 CONTRACT CITIES THAT ARE IN THIS SITUATION WOULD FIND
23 THEMSELVES IN, ABLE TO SPEND THAT KIND OF AN INCREASE...

24



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1 **SAM OLIVITO:** IN GENERAL TERMS, YES. IN GENERAL TERMS, I THINK
2 THAT'S CORRECT, MR. SUPERVISOR. THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO EXPEND
3 THE MONEY TO INCREASE AND ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WOULD YOU HAVE, AND I KNOW YOU MAY NOT
6 HAVE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO CHECK WITH YOUR MEMBERSHIP, BUT ARE
7 YOU ABLE TO SAY WHETHER YOU COULD-- IF WE HAD A PROVISION
8 THAT-- SOME KIND OF A PROVISION THAT PROTECTED AGAINST A LARGE
9 ACCUMULATION OVER A PERIOD OF TIME OF UNSPENT FUNDS, THAT,
10 AFTER A CERTAIN TIME, FUNDS WOULD REVERT BACK TO THE
11 COUNTYWIDE POT TO BE REDISTRIBUTED TO CITIES THAT ARE ABLE TO
12 SPEND IT, WOULD YOU HAVE ANY PHILOSOPHICAL PROBLEM WITH THAT?

13

14 **SAM OLIVITO:** WELL, I DON'T KNOW ABOUT-- WELL, IT APPEARS THAT
15 THAT MIGHT BE AN APPROPRIATE WAY TO DO IT BUT I COULDN'T SPEAK
16 FOR OUR BOARD IN RELATIONSHIP TO HANDLE THAT.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I UNDERSTAND THAT.

19

20 **SAM OLIVITO:** AND WE'D HAVE TO TAKE A LOOK AT THE SPECIFICS,
21 SUPERVISOR, BEFORE WE COULD REALLY RESPOND.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME WHEN
24 WE'RE DONE WITH THE PUBLIC HEARING, I WANT TO-- YOU KNOW WHAT?
25 I'M GOING TO-- I'VE GOT A MOTION I WANT TO INTRODUCE ALONG



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1 THESE LINES, AND MAYBE I'LL JUST HAVE MY STAFF LET YOU TAKE A
2 LOOK AT IT SO YOU CAN MULL IT OVER AS WE GO ON WITH THIS.
3 BECAUSE, IF YOU HAVE ANY REACTION TO IT OR SEE ANY FATAL FLAW
4 IN IT, I'D LIKE TO KNOW ABOUT IT. BUT IT'S BASICALLY AS I JUST
5 DESCRIBED IT, THAT, AFTER FIVE YEARS, IF YOU HAVE ANY-- IF YOU
6 DON'T SPEND ANY FUNDS AFTER EACH YEAR, YOU WOULD DEPOSIT INTO
7 A TRUST FUND IN YOUR CITY, AND THEN, AFTER FIVE YEARS, IF YOU
8 STILL HAVE UNSPENT FUNDS, THAT THE NEXT YEAR'S ALLOCATION
9 WOULD BE REDUCED BY THE COUNTY AUDITOR-CONTROLLER BY THE
10 AMOUNT THAT'S IN THAT TRUST FUND. SO THAT-- AND THEN TO BE--
11 THE REST OF THE COUNTY WOULD THEN BENEFIT FROM IT. AND IT'S TO
12 PROTECT AGAINST AN EMBARRASSMENT OF RICHES, IF YOU WILL. I
13 DON'T ANTICIPATE THAT THAT'S GOING TO BE A WIDESPREAD PROBLEM
14 BUT I CAN SEE THAT WHERE, IN ONE OR TWO OR THREE OR FOUR
15 CITIES, IT MAY BE A PROBLEM, AND IT WOULDN'T BE FAIR TO THE
16 TAXPAYERS OR TO THE OTHER CITIES. SO THAT'S THE CONCEPT.

17

18 **SAM OLIVITO:** AS LONG AS IT WOULD BE FAIR TO ALL OF THEM,
19 SUPERVISOR, ALL THE CITIES IN THE COUNTY AND APPROPRIATELY...

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THEY'D ALL LIVE BY THE SAME, INCLUDING THE
22 COUNTY ITSELF, WOULD HAVE TO LIVE BY THE SAME SET OF RULES.

23

24 **SAM OLIVITO:** THAT'S RIGHT.

25



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1 **DAVE SPENCER:** REAL BRIEFLY, CHAIRMAN KNABE, YOU ASKED ABOUT
2 WHERE WE COULD SPEND OUR FUNDS. I'M NOT SURE THAT YOU ARE
3 AWARE THAT OUR CITY HAS DONATED SEVERAL HUNDRED THOUSAND
4 DOLLARS TO SUPPORT THE CRESCENTA VALLEY SHERIFF'S STATION FOR
5 EQUIPMENT AND FOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS. WE HAVEN'T DONE IT IN
6 ONE BIG LUMP SUM. WE HAVE DONE IT OVER THE PAST 10 YEARS THAT
7 I'VE BEEN ON THE CITY COUNCIL AND WE'RE VERY PROUD OF THAT.
8 AND I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT NORWALK AND LAKEWOOD AND A NUMBER OF
9 OTHER CONTRACT CITIES HAVE DONE THE SAME THING. THEY HAVE
10 SPENT, FROM THEIR GENERAL FUND, A HUGE AMOUNT OF MONEY. THESE
11 ARE WHERE WE WOULD GET SOME HELP IN THOSE TYPES OF FUNDS THAT
12 WE HAVE BEEN CONTRIBUTING OVER THE YEARS. I DON'T THINK
13 ANYBODY REALIZES, AND WE HAVE ASKED TO HAVE A LIST OF ALL THE
14 FUNDS THAT HAVE BEEN DONATED OVER THE PAST 10 YEARS FROM
15 CONTRACT CITIES TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SAM? THAT'S IT?

18

19 **SAM OLIVITO:** THAT'S FINE, MR. CHAIRMAN. THANK YOU VERY MUCH
20 FOR THE OPPORTUNITY. WE APPRECIATE YOUR LISTENING TO OUR
21 CONCERNS.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I WILL ASK CHIEF HERIN AND CHIEF ADAMS TO
24 COME UP AND TESTIFY. AND NEXT, JACQUELINE.

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1 **JACQUELINE MCHENRY:** MY NAME IS JACQUELINE MCHENRY. I'M A CITY
2 COUNCIL MEMBER IN THE CITY OF CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA, AND I
3 JUST WANTED SOME CLARIFICATION ABOUT SOME OF THE PARTS OF THIS
4 ORDINANCE. ON PAGE 6, UNDER PURPOSE OF THE TAX, IT SAYS, "THE
5 REVENUES RAISED BY THIS MEASURE WILL BE USED TO PROVIDE
6 PERSONNEL EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES TO INCREASE, MAINTAIN..."
7 ET CETERA. DOES THAT MEAN THAT THAT-- THOSE FUNDS COULD BE
8 USED TO BUILD A NEW POLICE FACILITY? I JUST WANTED SOME
9 CLARIFICATION ON THAT. BECAUSE THAT IS THE NEED OF MY CITY.
10 WHILE EVERY CITY CAN USE MORE CARS ON THE STREETS, MORE
11 PERSONNEL BEHIND THE DESKS, THIS IS THE GREATEST NEED IN OUR
12 CITY. WE HAVE A FACILITY THAT WAS BUILT IN THE MID-'70S THAT
13 IS IN NEED OF NEW COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS, THAT IS IN NEED OF
14 MORE SPACE FOR THE BURGEONING AMOUNT OF VOLUNTEERS THAT WE
15 HAVE HELPING OUR POLICE, AND JUST A DILAPIDATED BUILDING,
16 BASICALLY, THAT IS IN NEED OF REPAIR AND ALSO IN NEED OF
17 EXPANSION. FORTUNATELY, WE ARE RECRUITING MORE WOMEN ON THE
18 FORCE. RIGHT NOW, THEY ARE IN A PORTABLE BUILDING TAKING THEIR
19 SHOWERS. THIS IS INAPPROPRIATE AND DEMEANS THEIR STATUS ON OUR
20 FORCE. SO THAT WOULD BE THE NEED OF MY CITY, AND I WANTED
21 CLARIFICATION AS TO WHETHER THIS MONEY CAN BE USED FOR
22 BUILDING NEW FACILITIES.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MR. JANSSEN, UNDER 4-- ON PAGE 6, THE
25 SECTION A THERE, THE PURPOSE, IS THAT FACILITY REFERENCING



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1 CAPITAL PROJECT DOLLARS FOR NEW STATIONS? IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE
2 ASKING?

3

4 **JACQUELINE MCHENRY:** YES, THAT IS.

5

6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES, THE MONEY CAN BE USED FOR FACILITIES.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MONEY CAN BE USED FOR FACILITIES?

9

10 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES.

11

12 **JACQUELINE MCHENRY:** OKAY. I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO ADD THAT-- I
13 DON'T KNOW IF THIS IS UNDER THIS PARTICULAR ONE, THE PROPOSAL
14 BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, IS THAT UNDER THIS ALSO?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YES.

17

18 **JACQUELINE MCHENRY:** ARE WE ADDRESSING THAT?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** EVERYTHING'S HERE. WE'VE GET A BIG OLD
21 SALAD BOWL HERE.

22

23 **JACQUELINE MCHENRY:** OKAY. I'LL TOSS A LITTLE BIT INTO IT. MY
24 CITY WOULD NOT BE IN SUPPORT OF THAT. WE NEED THIS MONEY, WE
25 NEED \$22 MILLION FOR A NEW POLICE FACILITY AND WE ALREADY TAX



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1 OUR CITIZENS A LOT IN OUR CITY OF CLAREMONT AND WE THINK IT
2 SHOULD BE SHARED BY-- THE BURDEN SHOULD BE SHARED BY THE WHOLE
3 COUNTY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO HIS WAS A MATCH. THAT'S THE PORTION
6 YOU'RE OPPOSED TO?

7

8 **JACQUELINE MCHENRY:** YES, I KNOW. YES.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WHAT ABOUT THE QUARTER CENT VERSUS A HALF
11 CENT?

12

13 **JACQUELINE MCHENRY:** WELL, IF-- I DON'T THINK YOU CAN RAISE AS
14 MUCH MONEY WITH THE QUARTER CENT AS A HALF CENT AND, BEING A
15 FISCAL CONSERVATIVE, THERE'S A PART OF ME THAT SAYS, YEAH,
16 LET'S DO THE QUARTER CENT BUT I ALSO REALIZE THE NEEDS OF THIS
17 COUNTY. AND I THINK THIS IS A SHARED BURDEN, SHOULD BE A
18 SHARED BURDEN.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

21

22 **JACQUELINE MCHENRY:** AND ALSO THE FACT THAT YOU'RE PUTTING IT
23 ON THE BALLOT FOR THE PEOPLE TO VOTE ON IS A PLUS. THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MM HMM. JIM?



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2 **JIM BOULGARIDES:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE

3 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. FIRST, I OWE YOU A COUPLE OF THANK YOUS.

4 I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE RESOLUTION TO HELP

5 US FIND DEEDEE KELLER. I'M A CITY COUNCILMAN FOR THE CITY OF

6 EL SEGUNDO AND SHE IS A MUCH LOVED MEMBER OF OUR COMMUNITY AND

7 I DO THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT. THAT MEANS A LOT TO US. WE

8 WANT TO BRING HER HOME SAFE. I COME HERE AS A COUNCIL MEMBER

9 OF MY CITY OF EL SEGUNDO. I'M ALSO A PUBLIC SAFETY

10 PROFESSIONAL. I'VE BEEN ONE OF YOUR LIFEGUARDS NOW SINCE 1981

11 ON YOUR BEACHES. I'M A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR LA

12 COLA, AND YOU FOLKS HAVE ALWAYS SHOWN A REAL STRONG COMMITMENT

13 TO PUBLIC SAFETY, WHICH IS WHY, WHEN MY CITY MANAGER SAID IT

14 WAS CRUNCH TIME AND COME DOWN TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THIS, I

15 KNEW WE COULD COME DOWN AND EXPECT A GOOD REASONED APPROACH.

16 THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT RESOLUTION FOR OUR CITY. I HEARD

17 SPECIFICS SPOKEN TO, HOW ARE YOU GOING TO SPEND THE MONEY?

18 WELL, THERE'S A MYRIAD OF POSSIBILITIES. EL SEGUNDO SITS IN A-

19 - BASICALLY, IN A TARGET BETWEEN CHEVRON, LOS ANGELES'

20 AIRPORT, THE AIR FORCE BASE, AND OUR HAZARDOUS MATERIAL

21 RESPONSE IS GOING TO BE UPDATED, AN A.P.D. 4,000 IS A SINGLE

22 PIECE OF EQUIPMENT THAT COSTS \$12,000. CHEMICAL SUITS ARE VERY

23 EXPENSIVE, THINGS ALONG THOSE LINES. BUT I THINK MORE

24 IMPORTANT IS JUST THE PRESENCE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. I'VE

25 WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE SHERIFFS AS A MEMBER OF THE COUNTY



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1 LIFEGUARD DEPARTMENT. I KNOW THE WORK THEY DO. I KNOW HOW
2 THINLY STRETCHED THEY ARE IN RESPONSES THEY'VE HAD TO MAKE
3 DOWN TO OUR BEACHES, AND I THINK THIS IS GOING TO HELP NOT
4 JUST THE CONTRACT BUT ALSO THE INDEPENDENT CITIES. THIS IS
5 WORTH, IN ADDITIONAL RESOURCES, \$1.2 MILLION TO OUR CITY AND
6 THIS IS MONEY WE DESPERATELY NEED, ESPECIALLY IN THESE
7 BUDGETARY TIMES WITH THE UNCERTAINTY COMING FROM SACRAMENTO
8 AND OTHER SOURCES. I'M ALSO A FIRE CAPTAIN AND PARAMEDIC, SO I
9 KNOW OF WHICH I SPEAK WHEN IT COMES TO PUBLIC SAFETY AND I
10 THINK THAT THE THING TO KEEP IN MIND HERE IS THAT YOU LADIES
11 AND GENTLEMEN ARE NOT GOING TO INSTITUTE THIS TAX. WHAT YOU'RE
12 GOING TO DO IS GIVE THE CITIZENS OF THE COUNTY THE OPPORTUNITY
13 TO SAY YAY OR NAY AND LET THEM DECIDE HOW IMPORTANT PUBLIC
14 SAFETY IS. THIS IS IMPORTANT ENOUGH FOR US TO BE HERE TODAY
15 AND SPEAK ABOUT IT. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT ENOUGH TO LET OUR
16 CITIZENS MAKE A CHOICE BECAUSE I THINK WE ARE AT A CRUCIAL
17 TURNING POINT, AND I REALIZE MY TIME IS UP, AND I DO THANK YOU
18 FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK AND I THANK YOU FOR THE
19 OPPORTUNITY TO COME DOWN AND BE HEARD. AND I HOPE THAT THE
20 CITIZENS OF COUNTY GET A CHANCE TO BE HEARD ON THIS. THANK YOU
21 VERY MUCH.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, JIM. I HAVE A NOTE HERE THAT
24 SAYS CHIEF HERIN AND CHIEF ADAMS WILL TALK FOR ALL OF LAW



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1 ENFORCEMENT. I'D ASK JOHN BLICKENSTAFF AND DOUG TESSITOR TO
2 JOIN US AS WELL UP HERE, PLEASE. GO AHEAD, CHIEF.

3

4 **RANDY ADAMS:** YES, MR. CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS RANDY ADAMS. I'M THE CHIEF OF POLICE
6 OF GLENDALE. I'M ALSO THE SECOND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE LOS
7 ANGELES CHIEFS OF POLICE ASSOCIATION, AND I'M HERE TO SPEAK TO
8 URGE YOU TO PLACE AN INITIATIVE ON THE BALLOT. BUT LET ME
9 PREFACE MY REMARKS BY SAYING THAT THE SHERIFF SPENT A
10 CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF TIME UNITING LAW ENFORCEMENT THROUGHOUT
11 THIS COUNTY BEHIND HIS ORIGINAL BALLOT INITIATIVE. THERE'S
12 TREMENDOUS UNIFICATION OF SUPPORT BEHIND THAT ORIGINAL
13 INITIATIVE. OUR PREFERENCE, AS AN ASSOCIATION FOR L.A. COUNTY,
14 WOULD BE TO HAVE YOU PUT THAT ORIGINAL INITIATIVE ON THE
15 BALLOT THAT WAS SIGNED BY A SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF VOTERS TO
16 ALMOST GET IT THERE, AND WE HAVEN'T SEEN WHETHER IT'S GOING TO
17 QUALIFY OR NOT, BUT THE FEAR IS THAT IT WON'T QUALIFY BECAUSE
18 THERE WASN'T ENOUGH SURPLUS SIGNATURES OR ADDITIONAL
19 SIGNATURES, BUT ALMOST...

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CHIEF, JUST TO INTERJECT SOMETHING, WE WERE
22 JUST NOTIFIED BY THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER THAT IT DID NOT
23 QUALIFY.

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1 **RANDY ADAMS:** OKAY. WELL, AND THAT'S UNFORTUNATE, BECAUSE IT
2 WAS CLOSE. I BELIEVE WE ALL KNOW THAT IT WAS CLOSE. THERE WAS
3 CERTAINLY A LOT OF ENTHUSIASM FROM THE PUBLIC TO PLACE THAT
4 BALLOT INITIATIVE ON THERE. BUT MY POINT IS THAT THERE WAS
5 STRONG UNIFICATION OF SUPPORT, NOT ONLY BETWEEN THE CHIEFS BUT
6 BETWEEN ALL THE COUNCILS AND LEGISLATIVE BODIES THAT LOOKED AT
7 THAT IN THE COUNTY AND THEY REALLY WANTED THAT INITIATIVE TO
8 BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT. SHORT OF TAKING THAT STEP TO PUT THAT
9 ORIGINAL INITIATIVE ON THE BALLOT, THEN OUR ASSOCIATION, AS
10 CHIEF HERIN WILL SPEAK TO, IS SUPPORTIVE OF THIS COMPROMISE.
11 OUR FEAR IS THAT, WITH THIS MODIFICATION TO THE INITIATIVE,
12 THAT SOME OF THE SUPPORT THAT WAS UNITED BEHIND THE ORIGINAL
13 INITIATIVE MIGHT BE LOST. AS YOU KNOW, WE'RE GOING TO NEED ALL
14 OF THE VOTER SUPPORT THAT WE CAN GET TO PASS THIS IF YOU ELECT
15 TO PUT IT ON THE BALLOT. SO PLEASE KEEP THAT IN CONSIDERATION
16 WHEN YOU CONSIDER WHICH INITIATIVE TO PUT ON THE BALLOT AND--
17 BUT, PLEASE, DO PUT AN INITIATIVE ON THE BALLOT BECAUSE WE
18 NEED LAW ENFORCEMENT AND FRONT LINE LAW ENFORCEMENT. AND I CAN
19 SPEAK TO THE FACT THAT, IN GLENDALE, WE ARE TRYING TO INCREASE
20 OUR FRONT LINE LAW ENFORCEMENT BY 40%, AND THIS WILL PAY FOR A
21 LITTLE OVER HALF OF THAT IF IT'S SUCCESSFUL AND IF IT'S
22 PASSED. THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, CHIEF ADAMS.

25



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1 **JIM HERIN:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN KNABE AND MEMBERS OF THE
2 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M JIM HERIN. I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE
3 LOS ANGELES COUNTY POLICE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION, AN ASSOCIATION
4 WHICH REPRESENTS 46 INDEPENDENT CHIEFS OF POLICE AND WE'RE
5 VERY PLEASED THAT YOU HAVE ALLOWED US TO PRESENT THIS TO YOU
6 THIS MORNING. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE SHERIFF'S MOVE TO BRING
7 THIS INITIATIVE TO THE VOTERS IN NOVEMBER. WE'RE SORRY IT DID
8 NOT MEET WHAT WE NEEDED TO HAVE DONE AT THAT TIME BUT WE
9 APPRECIATE YOUR WILLINGNESS TO LISTEN TO US THIS MORNING. I
10 THINK ONE OF THE STRENGTHS OF THE INITIATIVE THAT IS BEFORE US
11 NOW IS THAT IT REPRESENTS FAIRLY EVERY COMMUNITY WITHIN OUR
12 COUNTY. IT REPRESENTS EACH OF THESE 46 POLICE CHIEFS THAT I'VE
13 MENTIONED, WHETHER THEY'RE FROM A VERY LARGE AGENCY, A MEDIUM-
14 SIZED OR A SMALL AGENCY. EVERYONE IN THE COMMUNITY WILL
15 BENEFIT SHOULD THIS INITIATIVE BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT AND
16 SUCCESSFULLY PASS IN NOVEMBER. ONE OF THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS
17 THAT WE BELIEVE, AS AN ASSOCIATION, TO THIS SUCCESSFUL,
18 EFFECTIVE MEASURE IS TO MAINTAIN THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT.
19 AND I THINK, WITH THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT, WE WILL ENSURE
20 THAT, DOWN THE ROAD, THIS INITIATIVE WILL BE SUCCESSFUL AND IT
21 WILL BE EFFECTIVE. I THINK THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF INPUT FROM
22 THE MEETING LAST FRIDAY THAT WAS HELD AND A LOT OF DIFFERENT
23 VIEWPOINTS WERE EXPRESSED TO COME TO WHAT WE HAVE TODAY. AND,
24 AS CHIEF ADAMS HAD MENTIONED, ALTHOUGH THE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION
25 REALLY PREFERS THE SHERIFF'S ORIGINAL INITIATIVE, WE



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1 UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE A LOT OF DIFFERENT CONCERNS THAT
2 WERE EXPRESSED AND EVERYBODY'S VIEWPOINTS NEEDED TO BE
3 CONSIDERED. BECAUSE OF THAT, WE DO SUPPORT THE INITIATIVE
4 THAT'S BEFORE THE BOARD THIS MORNING AND WE HOPE THAT IT'S
5 PLACED ON THE BALLOT IN NOVEMBER. AS A GROUP OF POLICE CHIEFS,
6 WE CERTAINLY DO UNDERSTAND OUR MISSION IN PUBLIC SAFETY. WE
7 UNDERSTAND AND WE KNOW THOSE STRATEGIES THAT ARE GOING TO BE
8 EFFECTIVE IN ACHIEVING THAT MISSION AND WE'RE READY TO ENGAGE
9 SO THAT WE CAN ACCOMPLISH A REDUCTION IN CRIME IN OUR COUNTY
10 BUT WE REALLY DO NEED THE FUNDING THAT THIS INITIATIVE CAN
11 PROVIDE. SO WE DO ENCOURAGE YOU STRONGLY TO PLACE THIS ON THE
12 BALLOT IN NOVEMBER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ON THIS NOTE THAT I GOT, CHIEF
15 PAPA, ARE YOU GOING TO SPEAK? COME ON UP THERE TO TAKE CHIEF
16 HERIN'S AND CHIEF ADAMS' PLACE. MR. BLICKENSTAFF AND THEN MR.
17 TESSITOR.

18

19 **JOHN BLICKENSTAFF:** YES, THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF
20 THE BOARD. I'M JON BLICKENSTAFF, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LA
21 VERNE. I SUPPORT THE EFFORTS MADE BY SHERIFF BACA AND I
22 APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN WORKING
23 TOWARD WHAT WE VIEW AS A SOMEWHAT IMPERFECT COMPROMISE BUT
24 CERTAINLY WORTH PROCEEDING. WE DO HAVE SOME CONCERNS ABOUT THE
25 MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT CLAUSE FOR A CITY LIKE LA VERNE. THE



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1 LOSS OF EVEN ONE MAJOR SALES TAX PROVIDER WOULD MEAN A MAJOR
2 DOWNTURN IN OUR FISCAL STABILITY BUT WE FEEL LIKE WE CAN DEAL
3 WITH THAT. IN THE PAST YEARS, WE'VE PUT IN MORE THAN A 5%
4 INCREASE EACH YEAR FOR OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT, SO CERTAINLY THE
5 COMMITMENT IS THERE AND WE WOULD EXPECT TO CONTINUE TO DO
6 THAT. I BELIEVE THAT THAT'S WHY THIS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, WITH
7 AN APPEALS PROCESS, WOULD BE SO IMPORTANT. BUT JUST HERE TO
8 EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION AND OUR SUPPORT AND DESIRE TO MOVE
9 AHEAD. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I JUST ASK YOU, WHAT APPEAL PROCESS ARE
14 YOU REFERRING TO?

15

16 **JON BLICKENSTAFF:** IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE IS AN
17 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE BEING PROPOSED AND A PART OF THAT
18 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE COULD BE A CITY'S ABILITY TO APPEAL IF
19 THAT MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT WAS A PROBLEM BECAUSE OF A MAJOR
20 CHANGE IN THEIR FISCAL CONDITION THAT AN APPEAL WOULD BE
21 POSSIBLE.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T BELIEVE THAT'S NOW A PART OF THIS
24 BUT WE'LL CHECK ON THAT. SO THAT'S WHY-- I DID NOT RECOGNIZE



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1 THAT CONCEPT. IT'S NOT IN YOUR DRAFT. IS THAT-- AN APPEALS
2 PROCESS TO THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE?

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT WAS TAKEN OUT? I JUST WANTED TO BE SURE
7 YOU WERE AWARE OF THAT. AND IF I COULD JUST UNDERSTAND YOUR
8 CONCERN ABOUT LOSING-- YOU SAID LOSING A RETAILER. WHAT WAS
9 THE CONNECTION BETWEEN THAT AND A MAINTENANCE...

10

11 **JON BLICKENSTAFF:** WELL, OUR BUDGET DEPENDS ON MAJOR RETAILERS.
12 A FORD DEALERSHIP, FOR EXAMPLE, AND A TARGET STORE. IF WE WERE
13 TO LOSE EITHER ONE OF THOSE, WE HAVE A MAJOR CHANGE IN OUR
14 BUDGET AND OUR ABILITY TO AFFORD THAT 3% INCREASE EVERY YEAR.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OH, I UNDERSTAND YOUR POINT NOW. WELL,
17 THAT'S AN INTERESTING POINT THAT HE RAISES, MR. JANSSEN. WHAT
18 HAPPENS TO A CITY LIKE LA VERNE -- IT'S THE SMALL CITIES WHERE
19 THIS WOULD BE THE MOST PRONOUNCED -- WHERE THERE'S A LOSS OR
20 SUPPOSED-- SUPPOSE THE STEINBERG LEGISLATION PASSES IN
21 SACRAMENTO AND THEY-- WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? YOU SHOULD BE
22 UP IN SACRAMENTO.

23

24 **JON BLICKENSTAFF:** WELL, WE NEED TO BE BOTH PLACES. THIS IS A
25 VERY REAL EXAMPLE.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I KNOW. JUST A JOKE. JUST A JOKE. EVEN
3 SUPERVISORS HAVE A SENSE OF HUMOR. [LIGHT LAUGHTER]

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** CAN WE THINK ABOUT THAT FOR A MINUTE? CAN WE
6 THINK ABOUT THAT FOR A MINUTE?

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU FOR THAT.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. DOUG?

11

12 **DOUG TESSITOR:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND BOARD MEMBERS, MY NAME IS DOUG
13 TESSITOR. I'M A COUNCIL MEMBER FOR THE CITY OF GLENDORA, AND I
14 DO HAVE WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT I WOULD LIKE TO LEAVE HERE AS A
15 PART OF THE RECORD.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE DO HAVE A-- IF IT'S THE SAME
18 LETTER THAT YOUR CITY MANAGER SENT?

19

20 **DOUG TESSITOR:** YES. THIS IS THE ORIGINAL.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** RIGHT. THANK YOU.

23

24 **DOUG TESSITOR:** THE CITY OF GLENDORA IS ON RECORD AS SUPPORTING
25 THE INITIATIVE PROPOSED BY SHERIFF BACA BUT WE DO HAVE SOME



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1 SIGNIFICANT CONCERNS OVER THE ITEM BEING PROPOSED ON THIS
2 MORNING'S AGENDA. SPECIFICALLY, THE CITY IS OPPOSED TO SECTION
3 4.69.050, THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT, WHICH APPEARS ON PAGE 10
4 OF THE DRAFT. THIS PROVISION HAS BEEN SIGNIFICANTLY AMENDED
5 FROM THAT-- FROM THE ORIGINAL INITIATIVE PROPOSED BY SHERIFF
6 BACA. IT REQUIRES AN ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT OF THE MAINTENANCE OF
7 EFFORT BASED ON THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX WITH A MAXIMUM 3%.
8 AND THE PENALTY FOR FAILING TO MEET THAT, AS WAS JUST
9 MENTIONED, IS THE LOSS OF ALL OF THESE FUNDS. THE PROBLEM WITH
10 THAT IS THAT, IN THE CITY OF GLENDORA'S CASE, THIS AMOUNTS TO
11 ABOUT A \$240,000 FIRST-DOLLAR CALL ON OUR GENERAL FUND
12 REVENUES AND IT WOULD INCREASE SUBSTANTIALLY IN SUBSEQUENT
13 YEARS. \$240,000 DOESN'T SOUND LIKE MUCH BUT IF YOU PUT IT IN
14 THE CONTEXT OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, BASE YOUR
15 MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT AMOUNT FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS
16 694 MILLION. GIVEN A 3% INCREASE IN C.P.I., THIS MEANS THAT
17 THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT PROVISION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS
18 ANGELES WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY \$20.8 MILLION, WHICH, IF I
19 UNDERSTAND THE COUNTY'S FINANCES, WOULD ALSO BE A FIRST-DOLLAR
20 CALL ON THE COUNTY'S GENERAL FUND. SO THOSE ARE REAL DOLLARS,
21 NOT JUST 240,000. A SECOND AREA OF OUR CONCERN IS AN
22 INCONSISTENCY WITHIN THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSED INITIATIVE AND
23 THIS WAS DEALT WITH BY JACKIE MCHENRY FROM CLAREMONT. THE
24 DEFINITIONS IN SECTION 4.69.040 DO NOT INCLUDE FACILITIES AS
25 BEING AMONG THE ALLOWED USES, NOR DOES SECTION 4.69.050-A, 1



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1 THROUGH A, A-1 OR A-7 INCLUDE FACILITIES AMONG SPECIFIED USES.
2 IF PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES ARE AMONG AUTHORIZED EXPENDITURES,
3 THEN THE PROPOSED MEASURE SHOULD BE AMENDED TO CLEARLY STATE
4 THAT FACILITIES ARE AND AUTHORIZED EXPENDITURE. BASED UPON
5 THESE CONCERNS, PARTICULARLY UPON THE EVER-INCREASING
6 MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT PROVISION, THE CITY OF GLENDORA MUST
7 CONSIDER OPPOSING THIS MEASURE SHOULD IT BE PLACED ON THE
8 BALLOT AS WRITTEN. FOR THIS REASON, WE RESPECTFULLY ASK THAT
9 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADOPT THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT
10 LANGUAGE INCLUDED IN THE ORIGINAL PROPOSAL ADVANCED BY SHERIFF
11 BACA AND CLARIFY ITS INTENT WITH RESPECT TO EXPENDITURE OF
12 FUNDS ON PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I JUST-- SO WHAT YOU WOULD
15 PREFER-- IF YOU UNDERSTAND WHY THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT WAS
16 WRITTEN THE WAY IT WAS, WAS TO AVOID THE SITUATION WHERE THE
17 TAXES RAISED FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PURPOSES AND THEN CITIES AND
18 COUNTY BACK OUT MONEY TO USE IT FOR OTHER PURPOSES AND THEN
19 USE THE SALES TAX TO SUPPLANT MONEY THAT WAS BACKED OUT,
20 THAT'S WHAT WAS TRYING TO BE AVOIDED.

21

22 **DOUG TESSITOR:** YES, SIR, I UNDERSTAND THAT BUT THE...

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WAS IT THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF
25 GLENDORA, IF WE WENT BACK TO SHERIFF'S ORIGINAL LANGUAGE,



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1 THAT, AFTER GETTING A HALF A CENT, BASED ON YOUR POPULATION,
2 WHATEVER IT WOULD BE FOR YOUR CITY, THAT YOU WOULD NOT COMMIT
3 TO GROWING YOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT OR YOUR LAW ENFORCEMENT
4 FACILITIES BY THAT AMOUNT EACH YEAR?

5

6 **DOUG TESSITOR:** NO, BUT WE WANT TO, AS A COUNCIL, BE ABLE TO
7 HAVE THE FLEXIBILITY GIVEN WHATEVER LIMITED RESOURCES THE
8 STATE ALLOWS US TO RETAIN TO MAKE CHOICES BASED ON OUR
9 INDIVIDUAL CITY'S NEEDS, NUMBER ONE. NUMBER TWO, SINCE...

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? SPELL THAT OUT FOR ME.

12

13 **DOUG TESSITOR:** WELL, LET ME MAKE THE SECOND PART OF THE
14 STATEMENT BECAUSE I THINK IT WILL BECOME CLEAR. THE
15 INITIATIVE, AS ORIGINALLY PROPOSED, IS BASED ON SALES TAX
16 REVENUE AND THOSE SALES TAX REVENUES ARE SPECIFICALLY
17 EARMARKED FOR PUBLIC SAFETY. BY DEFINITION, SALES TAX REVENUES
18 ARE GOING TO BE INFLATED BASED ON INFLATION. AS OUR PRICE OF
19 GOODS GO UP, SO WILL OUR SALES TAX REVENUES. THOSE SALES TAXES
20 ARE EARMARKED FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY USE. TO COME BACK, THEN,
21 AND SAY, IN ADDITION TO THAT, THAT WE HAVE TO INCREASE OUR
22 BASELINE ABOVE THE CURRENT LEVEL AND ADD ADDITIONAL DOLLARS IN
23 ADDITION TO THE SALES TAX REVENUE, WHICH IS THE WAY I THINK
24 THIS WOULD WORK MECHANICALLY, IS POTENTIALLY BURDENSOME, NOT
25 THAT WE'RE-- THAT THE CITY OF GLENDORA IS NOT WILLING TO SPEND



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1 OUR MONEY ON OUR POLICE FORCE. CURRENTLY I THINK WE'RE
2 SPENDING ABOUT 60% OF OUR GENERAL FUND REVENUE ON THE FORCE
3 NOW. BUT WE JUST, AS A COUNCIL, WANT TO BE ABLE, IF THERE IS A
4 PARTICULAR ISSUE IN THE CITY THAT, AT THAT PARTICULAR TIME,
5 MAY HAVE A HIGHER PRIORITY THAN PUTTING IT TO THE POLICE
6 DEPARTMENT, WE WANT TO HAVE THAT FLEXIBILITY, AS YOU MIGHT
7 WITH THAT 20.8 MILLION DOLLARS THAT IS ALSO GOING TO BE AT
8 RISK FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT THEN WE CAN'T SAY TO THE PEOPLE OF THE
11 COUNTY OR THE CITY OF GLENDORA THAT THE MONEY, WHEN WE ASK
12 THEM TO VOTE FOR HALF A CENT SALES TAX FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OR
13 FOR PUBLIC SAFETY, THAT IT'S FOR SURE GOING TO BE FOR PUBLIC
14 SAFETY BECAUSE SOME...

15

16 **DOUG TESSITOR:** NO, SIR, I DISAGREE.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. WELL, EXPLAIN THAT.

19

20 **DOUG TESSITOR:** THE SALES TAX MONEY GOES TO EACH CITY BASED ON
21 ITS PROPORTIONAL INCREASE WITH THAT BASELINE PROVISIO. WE CAN'T
22 DO ANYTHING WITH THAT MONEY AND, AS IT GROWS IN THE FUTURE, WE
23 STILL WON'T BE ABLE TO DO ANYTHING WITH THAT MONEY. ALL WE'RE
24 DOING IS WE'RE SAYING OUR REVENUES IN OUR GENERAL FUND OVER
25 HERE, WE'VE GOT \$10.1 MILLION, I THINK, THAT WE'RE SPENDING



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1 TODAY. THIS MONEY WOULD ADD \$2.7 MILLION TO OUR POLICE
2 DEPARTMENT. ALL WE'RE SAYING IS LET THAT GROW BUT LEAVE THE
3 REST OF OUR GENERAL FUND ALONE.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, I THINK, THOUGH, I MEAN, TWO THINGS.
6 NUMBER ONE, YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO THAT UNLESS YOU WANT TO DRAW
7 DOWN THE EXTRA MONEY, NUMBER ONE. YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO THE
8 COLA PROVISION. BUT I THINK THE OTHER THING IS, FROM A PUBLIC
9 PERCEPTION, THE WAY WE INTERPRET IT, IN ADDITION TO THE
10 SUPPLANTING ISSUE, IS THE FACT THAT THAT ALSO GIVES THE
11 TAXPAYER THE PROTECTION THAT THESE NEW DOLLARS CANNOT BE USED
12 FOR INCREASED SALARIES OR PENSIONS.

13

14 **DOUG TESSITOR:** BUT THIS PROVISION NOT ONLY INCLUDES THE SALES
15 TAX REVENUE, BUT ALSO GIVES A FIRST DOLLAR CALL ON ADDITIONAL
16 GENERAL FUND REVENUES, SO IT'S-- IN A WAY, IT'S MR.
17 ANTONOVICH'S MATCH IN DISGUISE.

18

19 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** MAY I COMMENT ON THAT, MR. CHAIR, IF I MAY?

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SURE. YEAH, SURE.

22

23 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** LET ME SAY THIS. WHAT THAT CONSUMER PRICE
24 INDEX FACTORING IS, IS NOT THAT THE WHOLE OF THAT IS GOING TO
25 BE APPROPRIATED TO POLICE; IT'S THE PROPORTIONALITY IN



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1 RELATIONSHIP TO ALL THE OTHER CITY OR COUNTY SERVICES THAT
2 WILL BENEFIT FROM IT AS WELL. SO IF IT GOES UP 3% IN GLENDORA
3 AND 40% OF YOUR OTHER SERVICES ARE NOT LAW ENFORCEMENT, THEN
4 40% OF THAT POTENTIAL INCREASE IS GOING TO GO TO OTHER CITY
5 SERVICES. AND I THINK THE EQUITY ISSUE IS ALL THIS IS TRYING
6 TO ENSURE, AS WELL, BECAUSE, OVER A PERIOD OF TIME, THIS HALF
7 CENT WILL LOSE ITS PURCHASE VALUE FOR EVEN YOUR OWN CITY, AS
8 IT WILL THE COUNTY. SO YOU'VE GOT TO ALLOW FOR THE NATURAL
9 INCREASES PROPORTIONALLY THAT YOU HAVE TODAY. DOESN'T CHANGE
10 ANY OF YOUR DISCRETION, IT JUST DOESN'T ALLOW YOU TO BUILD OUT
11 MORE DISCRETION BEYOND 40%.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. CHIEF PAPA, AND THEN I'D ASK TED HUNT
14 AND ALAN CLAYTON TO JOIN US, PLEASE.

15

16 **SHARON PAPA:** GOOD MORNING. SHARON PAPA, I'M AN ASSISTANT CHIEF
17 AT LAPD AND I'M HERE THIS MORNING ON BEHALF OF CHIEF BRATTON
18 AND THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND I DO ENCOURAGE THE
19 BOARD MEMBERS TO PLEASE PUT THIS ON THE BALLOT. WE DO WANT TO
20 GIVE EVERYONE IN THE COUNTY THE OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE. WE THINK
21 THAT PUBLIC SAFETY IS A HUGE CONCERN, WE HEAR IT EVERYWHERE WE
22 GO. THIS GIVES AN OPPORTUNITY FOR EACH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY
23 IN THE REGION TO BENEFIT AS A WHOLE. AS YOU KNOW, IF ONE CITY
24 STARTS INCREASING AND ENHANCING WHAT THEY'RE DOING AND THE
25 NEIGHBORING CITIES DOWN, CRIME DOESN'T-- OUR CRIMINALS DON'T



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1 RESPECT THOSE BOUNDARIES, SO WE NEED SOMETHING THAT'S GOING TO
2 ALLOW EVERYBODY TO MOVE AHEAD AND ENHANCE PROGRAMS AT THE SAME
3 TIME. THE FACT THAT THIS INCLUDES CRIME PREVENTION AND YOUTH
4 AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS MAKES IT A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH. IT
5 AFFORDS AN OPPORTUNITY TO ENHANCE THE JAIL SYSTEM AS WELL AS
6 THE PROSECUTION SYSTEM. WE'RE VERY MUCH IN SUPPORT OF IT AND
7 WE URGE YOU TO LET THE VOTERS DECIDE, SO PLEASE PUT THIS ON
8 THE BALLOT.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
11 COMMENTS. I JUST WOULD ADD, F.Y.I., I KNOW THAT WE THINK THAT
12 EVERYONE IS IN SUPPORT OF PUBLIC SAFETY BUT THE PHONE CALLS
13 AND E-MAILS TO MY OFFICE HAVE SORT OF BEEN 5-TO-1 AGAINST ANY
14 INCREASE IN TAXES. I ALSO WAS A RECIPIENT, OVER THE WEEKEND,
15 IN MY FRONT YARD, AND TWO POLLS THAT I, YOU KNOW, TO MAKE SURE
16 THAT-- IT SAYS NO COP TAX. AND SO NOT EVERYONE IS THERE YET
17 BUT...

18

19 **SHARON PAPA:** WELL, I THINK THE BEST WAY TO FIND OUT IS LET'S
20 PUT IT ON THE BALLOT.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** LET'S TAKE FINGERPRINTS, YEAH

23

24 **SHARON PAPA:** I DIDN'T SAY THAT.

25



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1 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** SOMEBODY'S BEEN LITTERING YOUR FRONT YARD.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ABSOLUTELY, THEY HAVE. THEY MADE SURE-- IT
4 WAS NOT THROUGHOUT MY NEIGHBORHOOD, I CAN ASSURE YOU, MADE
5 SURE THAT I SAW IT. MR. CLAYTON, THEN GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL,
6 GENEVIEVE, IF YOU'D JOIN US.

7

8 **ALAN CLAYTON:** THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN KNABE AND OTHER BOARD
9 MEMBERS. MY NAME IS ALAN CLAYTON. I'M WITH THE LOS ANGELES
10 COUNTY CHICANO EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION. WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY
11 225 PROBATION OFFICER MEMBERS. WE'RE IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION
12 TODAY TO PUT THE LAW ENFORCEMENT-- BASICALLY, THE MONEY THAT
13 IS NEEDED TO DEAL WITH THE SERIOUS CRIME PROBLEM IN LOS
14 ANGELES ON THE BALLOT SO THE VOTERS CAN VOTE FOR IT. I JUST
15 WANT TO POINT OUT, BACK IN 2000, I DRAFTED A BILL THAT WAS A
16 COMPREHENSIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT BILL THAT DEALT WITH BOTH THE
17 ISSUES OF PREVENTION, INTERVENTION, AND SUPPRESSION WHICH THE
18 SHERIFF SUPPORTED, THE D.A. SUPPORTED, BUT ONE OF THE THINGS
19 IN THE BILL WAS A COLLABORATIVE EFFORT WITH THE SHERIFF, THE
20 DA, PROBATION, CHIEFS OF POLICE. THE CONCERN THAT WE HAD OVER
21 THE LAST WEEK AND A HALF WAS THAT PROBATION BE RECOGNIZED AS
22 AN INTEGRAL PART OF LAW ENFORCEMENT. THEY HAVE A NUMBER OF
23 PROGRAMS THAT ARE CRITICAL TO EFFECTIVELY DEALING WITH GANGS.
24 THE DISARM PROGRAM, THE C.L.E.A.R. PROGRAM AND THE INTENSIVE
25 GANG SUPERVISION PROGRAM ARE ALL PROGRAMS THAT HAVE A PROVEN



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1 TRACK RECORD IN EFFECTIVELY DEALING WITH THE GANG PROBLEM IN
2 LOS ANGELES AND WITH OTHER PROBLEMS IN LOS ANGELES DEALING
3 WITH JUVENILE AND ADULT CRIME. WE'RE HERE TO ASK YOU TO
4 REMEMBER THAT WHEN THE 2 1/2% IS ALLOCATED, THAT THESE ARE
5 PROFESSIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS THAT ARE OUT THERE
6 SERVING DAY AND NIGHT, PROTECTING THE PUBLIC, AND THEY DESERVE
7 THE SAME KIND OF RECOGNITION, THE PROBATION OFFICERS, AS OTHER
8 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, BECAUSE THEY ARE OUT THERE IN THE
9 STREET. THEY ARE DOING THEIR JOB AND THEY ARE EFFECTIVELY
10 DEALING WITH CRIME, BOTH AT THE JUVENILE AND ADULT LEVEL. SO
11 WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT ON THAT. WE ARE PLEASED THAT
12 IT WAS CHANGED, WHERE IT INCLUDED MONEY FOR OTHER LAW
13 ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES. WE THINK IT SHOULD BE SPENT ON FRONT
14 LINE LAW ENFORCEMENT. WE DO SUPPORT THAT AND WE THINK THE
15 PROBLEM IS THAT WE DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH OFFICERS RIGHT NOW
16 DEALING WITH THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT TO EFFECTIVELY DEAL
17 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY WITH THE PROBLEM OF GANGS. THE GANG
18 PROBLEM WILL NOT DISCONTINUE UNTIL WE HAVE ENOUGH OFFICERS AND
19 ENOUGH COMMUNITY SUPPORT TO FIGHT THE GANG SCOURGE IN LOS
20 ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU.

21
22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, ALAN. TED. I'D ASK KRIS VOSBURGH
23 TO JOIN US, PLEASE.



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1 **TED HUNT:** MY NAME IS TED HUNT, I'M A PATROL OFFICER FOR THE
2 CITY OF LOS ANGELES, JUST AN ORDINARY PATROL COP THAT HAPPENED
3 TO GET ELECTED TO BE THE REPRESENTATIVE, ONE OF THE
4 REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL L.A.P.D. OFFICERS. SOME PEOPLE CALL US
5 L.A.P.D.'S UNION. IT'S THE LOS ANGELES POLICE PROTECTIVE
6 LEAGUE. YOU KNOW, WE HAVE A REALLY GREAT WORKING RELATIONSHIP
7 WITH THE ELECTED CITY OFFICERS AND CITY OFFICIALS IN THE CITY
8 OF LOS ANGELES AND WE STAND SHOULDER TO SHOULDER WITH THEM IN
9 SUPPORT OF THIS BILL. WE ARE TRYING TO MAKE THE CITY OF LOS
10 ANGELES AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES A SAFER PLACE. WE
11 ENCOURAGE YOU TO PUT THIS ON THE BALLOT. CERTAINLY THERE WILL
12 BE OPPOSITION BUT ALLOW THE VOTERS TO VOTE ON IT. WE'RE
13 CERTAINLY GOING TO BACK THIS BILL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. GENEVIEVE. JOHN GARCIA, IF YOU'D
16 JOIN US, PLEASE.

17

18 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. GOOD
19 MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I REALLY WANT TO ENCOURAGE YOU
20 TO SUPPORT THAT INITIATIVE TO PUT IT TO A VOTE. I THINK THAT'S
21 THE WAY TO ALWAYS BRING IT TO THE PUBLIC. YOU KNOW I'M A
22 STRONG ADVOCATE OF THAT. I HOPE YOU DO THE SAME THING IN FAVOR
23 OF THE SEAL NEXT WEEK. I ALSO WANT TO THANK SHERIFF BACA FOR
24 ALL THE WORK HE HAS DONE AND THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE MANY
25 CITIES THAT HE BROUGHT TOGETHER. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. KRIS AND THEN JOHN AND THEN I'D
3 ASK WALTER MOORE TO JOIN US, PLEASE.

4

5 **KRIS VOSBURGH:** LADIES, GENTLEMEN, THANK YOU FOR THIS
6 OPPORTUNITY. I'M KRIS VOSBURGH, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
7 HOWARD JARVIS TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION. AND, PLEASE, LET ME
8 ASSURE YOU, THERE IS NO PUBLIC GROUNDSWELL OF SUPPORT FOR ANY
9 MEASURE TO RAISE TAXES IN L.A. COUNTY. THAT MAY HAVE SOMETHING
10 TO DO WITH THE FACT THAT WE ARE ALREADY IN A HIGH TAX STATE
11 AND THIS IS A HIGH TAX COUNTY. LOOK AROUND YOU. ORANGE COUNTY
12 IS A HALF CENT LOWER IN ITS SALES TAX. VENTURA COUNTY IS A
13 PENNY LOWER IN ITS SALES TAX. RAISE THIS AND YOU RUN THE SAME
14 RISK THAT PETE WILSON RAN WHEN HE RAISED TAXES IN 1991. THE
15 STATE TOOK IN LESS MONEY THE FOLLOWING YEAR. IT'S THE OLD
16 ADAGE THAT ECONOMISTS WILL TELL YOU, IF YOU WANT LESS OF
17 SOMETHING, IN THIS CASE, BUSINESS ACTIVITY, TAX IT MORE,
18 YOU'RE GOING TO RUN MORE PEOPLE TO MAKE THEIR PURCHASES OUT OF
19 THE COUNTY AND ON THE INTERNET, SO IT'S DAMAGING TO THE
20 ECONOMY, FIRST OF ALL. SECONDLY, YOU'RE LOOKING AT A TAX WHEN
21 YOU ALREADY HAVE NUMEROUS OTHER ALTERNATIVES BEFORE YOU TO
22 RAISE MONEY FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. FIRST OF ALL, YOUR
23 OWN AUDIT SHOWS THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS NOT BEEN
24 CHARGING CONTRACT CITIES ENOUGH IN RETURN FOR THE SERVICES
25 THAT THE COUNTY PROVIDES. THE COUNTY SHOULD BE GETTING THAT



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1 MONEY FROM THOSE CONTRACT CITIES. SECONDLY, THE GRAND JURY
2 LAST MONTH SHOWED WHERE \$18 MILLION A YEAR CAN BE SAVED BY
3 INCREASING THE STAFFING AT THE JAILS WITH CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES
4 WHO COST CONSIDERABLY LESS THAN DO THE SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES,
5 WHO, IN TURN, COULD BE ASSIGNED TO STREET AND COMMUNITY
6 PATROLS. IN ADDITION, AND HATS OFF TO THE SHERIFF AND
7 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR AGREEING THAT IT'S TIME TO START
8 MORE AGGRESSIVELY FINDING OUT WHO IS ALREADY INCARCERATED
9 WITHIN OUR CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. WE HAVE SHOWN THAT THERE
10 ARE A GOOD NUMBER OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS AND WHEN YOU CAN
11 IDENTIFY THOSE, YOU CAN GET REIMBURSED BY THE FEDERAL
12 GOVERNMENT. NOW, I SAW AN ARTICLE THE OTHER DAY THAT SAID
13 SOMETHING LIKE ONLY ABOUT 12% OF THE ILLEGALS RIGHT NOW ARE
14 BEING IDENTIFIED. WE CAN DO A BETTER JOB THERE. THOSE ARE ALL
15 ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF MONEY THAT CAN BE BROUGHT FORWARD. NOW,
16 YOU'LL NOTICE THAT THE PEOPLE COMING BEFORE YOU TODAY ARE NOT
17 THE RECIPIENTS OF THE PUBLIC SERVICES; THEY'RE THE PROVIDERS.
18 I DOUBT IF YOU FIND THAT TO BE ANY GREAT SURPRISE BUT THOSE OF
19 US WHO ARE CONCERNED ABOUT HIGHER TAXES, WE NOTE THAT, THAT IT
20 IS THE-- THE PROVIDERS BECOME SOMETHING OF A PERPETUAL MOTION
21 MACHINE. VERY OFTEN, WHEN THEY'RE SEEKING MORE MONEY, WHAT
22 THEY'RE REALLY SEEKING IS THE OPPORTUNITY FOR MORE PAY AND
23 BENEFITS FOR THEMSELVES OR FOR THOSE THEY SUPERVISE, AND I
24 WOULD JUST REMIND YOU THAT WE THINK THAT YOU'VE GOT ENOUGH PAY
25 AND BENEFITS GOING OUT. THIS IS JUST ONE OF A WHOLE CAN OF



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1 WORMS THAT THE COUNTY DEALS WITH. I POINT TO THE DAILY NEWS OF
2 LAST SUNDAY AND THEIR HEADLINE WAS LARGE, RIGHTFULLY SHAQ, BUT
3 THE SECONDARY HEADLINE WAS "CAPITAL PENSION GRAVY TRAIN"
4 SHOWING THAT YOU HAVE ALMOST 1,200 EMPLOYEES RECEIVING A
5 HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS OR MORE IN PENSIONS, AND THAT'S ABOUT
6 \$120 MILLION TO START. SO IF YOU TAKE A LOOK AT YOUR LONG-TERM
7 PRIORITIES AND START-- IF PUBLIC SAFETY IS NUMBER ONE, LET'S
8 PUT THE MONEY INTO PUBLIC SAFETY. LET'S DO THE OTHER REFORMS
9 THAT HAVE BEEN SUGGESTED TO SAVE MONEY AND PUT THAT INTO LAW
10 ENFORCEMENT AND SEE WHERE WE ARE THEN AND THEN COME BACK AND
11 TALK TO THE PUBLIC ABOUT A TAX INCREASE. WE URGE YOU TO VOTE
12 "NO".

13

14 >SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

15

16 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MR. CHAIRMAN, CAN I JUST ASK, MR. VOSBURGH,
17 DO YOU HAVE AN OBJECTION TO PUTTING THIS ON THE BALLOT SO THAT
18 THE PEOPLE CAN MAKE THAT DECISION?

19

20 KRIS VOSBURGH: I THINK THIS IS BUSY WORK AND I THINK IT'S
21 PASSING THE BUCK, QUITE FRANKLY. YOU FOLKS SHOULD TAKE
22 RESPONSIBILITY FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND MAKE IT YOUR TOP
23 PRIORITY. NO, YOU SHOULD NOT PUT IT ON THE BALLOT.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SHOULD NOT PUT IT ON THE BALLOT. OKAY. THANK
2 YOU.

3

4 **KRIS VOSBURGH:** IF THERE WAS DEMAND FOR IT, THE SHERIFF, EVEN
5 WITH PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS, WASN'T ABLE TO GET ENOUGH
6 SIGNATURES.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. MR. GARCIA, THEN MR. MOORE, THEN MR.
9 VILLARAIGOSA, AND THEN-- I'LL JUST WAIT. GO AHEAD, MR. GARCIA.

10

11 **JOHN GARCIA:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
12 JOHNNY GARCIA, PRESIDENT OF THE MEXICAN AMERICA CORRECTIONAL
13 ASSOCIATION, WHICH IS MADE UP OF PROBATION OFFICER AND SUPPORT
14 STAFF WITH THE L.A. COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT. WE ARE IN
15 FAVOR OF THIS TAX BEFORE THE PEOPLE. THIS WILL PROVIDE LAW
16 ENFORCEMENT OUT IN THE COMMUNITIES. I'M ALSO ELECTED TO THE
17 _____ SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION AND, AS WE
18 KNOW, WITH MORE PRESENCE, WE'D HAVE SAFER COMMUNITIES. BUT I'M
19 HERE ADVOCATING TODAY FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO REALLY
20 PUT INTO MIND THE WORKS OF THE PROBATION OFFICERS THROUGHOUT
21 L.A. COUNTY. I'VE BEEN A DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER FOR 18
22 YEARS, AND I KNOW IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE EXPAND SOME
23 VITAL PROGRAMS THAT WE HAVE. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE EXPANSION
24 OF THE GANG INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM. THIS PROGRAM WORKS
25 DIRECTLY IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THE GANG UNIT MOBILE



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1 TEAM MAKES APPROXIMATELY 800 HOME CONTACTS, 300 SCHOOL
2 CONTACTS, AND 350 CONTACTS EACH MONTH. PROBATION WORKS HAND IN
3 HAND WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT. MANY OF OUR PROBATIONARIES, THE
4 MAJORITY OF THEM DO HAVE CONDITIONS OF SEARCH AND SEIZURES.
5 THIS GIVES THE OPPORTUNITY OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO GO
6 IN THE HOUSE AND DO SEARCHES, ALONG WITH PROBATION. SO WE URGE
7 YOU TO INCLUDE PROBATION IN THE SALES TAX. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MR. MOORE AND THEN MR. VILLARAIGOSA, THEN
10 I'D ASK CHIEF DAVIS AND CHIEF LEWIS TO JOIN US UP HERE,
11 PLEASE. MR. MOORE?

12

13 **WALTER MOORE:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS WALTER MOORE, I'M A
14 CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR OF THE CITY OF L.A. MY WEB SITE IS
15 MAYORFORYOU.COM. THE REASON YOU HAVEN'T HEARD OF ME BEFORE IS,
16 FOR THE PAST 20 YEARS, I'VE BEEN A BUSINESS TRIAL LAWYER. I
17 LEFT MY PRACTICE LAST WEEK SO I CAN RUN FULL TIME. EVERYONE
18 AGREES WE NEED MORE POLICE. IN 2003, MORE THAN 500 PEOPLE WERE
19 MURDERED IN MY CITY. IT'S NOT NORMAL AND IT'S NOT RIGHT. BUT
20 THAT'S NOT THE ISSUE IN FRONT OF YOU TODAY. THE ISSUE TODAY
21 IS, HOW ARE WE GOING TO PAY FOR IT? SHOULD YOU PUT A BALLOT
22 MEASURE ON TO INCREASE OUR TAXES EVEN MORE? NO. WE'RE
23 OVERTAXED AS IT IS. EVEN IF YOU JUST PUT THIS ON THE BALLOT,
24 YOU'RE SENDING A SIGNAL TO EVERY BUSINESS IN THE COUNTY,
25 EVERYONE THINKING OF MOVING HERE, THAT WE MAY WELL RAISE



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1 TAXES. THAT MEANS WE WILL CONTINUE TO LOSE BUSINESSES TO
2 RIVERSIDE AND ORANGE COUNTY AND OTHER LOCATIONS. SO HOW DO WE
3 PAY FOR IT? YOU GO TO MY WEBSITE, MAYORFORYOU.COM, YOU'LL SEE
4 LOTS OF EXAMPLES OF WASTE FROM THE CITY OF L.A. ITSELF. BUT WE
5 HAVE COUNTYWIDE WASTE AS WELL, AND YOU CAN SAVE \$500 MILLION A
6 YEAR USING YOUR OWN STATISTICS BY THREE SIMPLE WORDS: DEPORT
7 ILLEGAL ALIENS. SHERIFF BACA'S OFFICE LAST WEEK ESTIMATED THAT
8 WE SPEND \$150 MILLION EVERY YEAR JUST INCARCERATING ILLEGAL
9 ALIENS IN OUR JAILS. THAT DOESN'T COUNT THE PROPERTY DAMAGE OR
10 THE INJURIES TO THEIR VICTIMS. THE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
11 ESTIMATED LAST YEAR THAT WE SPEND \$350 MILLION PROVIDING
12 HEALTHCARE TO PEOPLE WHO HAVE NO RIGHT TO BE HERE. SO DON'T
13 PUT THIS ON THE BALLOT. FOLLOW WHAT YOUR TAXPAYING CITIZENS
14 TELL YOU, WHICH IS WE'RE OVERTAXED AS IT IS AND, OF COURSE,
15 VISIT MY WEBSITE, MAYORFORYOU.COM. [LIGHT LAUGHTER]

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. ALL RIGHT. MR.
18 VILLARAIGOSA, THEN CHIEF DAVIS AND THEN CHIEF LEWIS.

19

20 **ANTONIO VILLARAIGOSA:** YES, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, FAR BE IT
21 FOR ME TO DICTATE TO THIS BOARD, WHO HAS A VERY BIG
22 RESPONSIBILITY ON YOUR SHOULDERS, BUT I DID WANT TO COME HERE
23 AS A CO-CHAIR OF THE INITIATIVE THAT SHERIFF BACA HAS TALKED
24 ABOUT NOW FOR SOME TIME, A HALF CENT SALES TAX FOR PUBLIC
25 SAFETY. I REPRESENT A DISTRICT AND I ATTEND EVERY HOMICIDE IN



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1 MY DISTRICT, 3:00 IN THE MORNING, NO MATTER WHAT TIME IT IS,
2 AND I DO BECAUSE I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO PUT A FACE
3 ON DEATH AND NOT JUST LOOK AT THE STATISTICS THAT WE READ
4 EVERY SINGLE DAY. IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS THAT I REPRESENT, SOME
5 OF THE YOUNG KIDS WHO LIVE THERE ARE VERY FAMILIAR WITH THE
6 YELLOW TAPE AT A CRIME SCENE. THEY'RE AS FAMILIAR WITH THAT AS
7 SOME OF US MIGHT BE WITH AN ICE CREAM TRUCK, AND THEY ARE
8 BECAUSE THEY SEE THAT YELLOW TAPE AROUND HOMICIDE SCENES AND
9 SHOOTING SCENES IN MY DISTRICT ALL THE TIME. I CAN TELL YOU
10 THAT, IN THE 14TH COUNCIL DISTRICT AND THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF
11 LOS ANGELES, WE JUST DON'T HAVE ENOUGH POLICE OFFICERS. YOU'VE
12 HEARD FROM MY COUNCIL COLLEAGUES SPEAK, I UNDERSTAND FAIRLY
13 ELOQUENTLY, ABOUT THE FACT THAT WE-- OUT OF ALL THE BIG CITIES
14 IN THIS COUNTRY, WE HAVE LESS POLICE OFFICERS THAN ANY BIG
15 CITY. AND I CAN TELL YOU THAT, IN THE HOLLENBECK, FOR
16 INSTANCE, IN A AREA LIKE BO HEIGHTS WITH SOME-- AND EL SERENO
17 WITH SOME 165,000 PEOPLE, AT ANY GIVEN TIME ON A FRIDAY NIGHT,
18 THERE ARE ABOUT FIVE OR SIX PATROL CARS. IN EAGLE ROCK,
19 THERE'S ONE BASIC CAR PATROLLING OUR STREETS. WE JUST DON'T
20 HAVE ENOUGH POLICE OFFICERS TO ADDRESS THE CRIME IN OUR CITY.
21 AND ESPECIALLY IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS LIKE THE ONE I REPRESENT.
22 SO I WOULD URGE YOU TO PUT THE HALF CENT SALES TAX, I KNOW
23 THERE'S BEEN SOME DISCUSSION ABOUT A QUARTER CENT. THE HALF
24 CENT SALES TAX WILL GIVE US ROUGHLY \$160 MILLION A YEAR
25 DEDICATED AND WITH THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT THAT YOU HAVE



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1 SUGGESTED, CHAIRMAN KNABE AND THE FLEXIBILITY THAT SUPERVISOR
2 MOLINA HAVE REQUESTED, GIVE US THE TOOLS THAT WE NEED TO FIGHT
3 CRIME AND TO MAKE PUBLIC SAFETY OUR ABSOLUTE PRIORITY. I THANK
4 YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. CHIEF DAVIS? I'LL ASK CHARLES
7 BRISER TO JOIN US AS WELL, PLEASE. I SAID THAT CORRECTLY,
8 HOPEFULLY.

9

10 **KING DAVIS:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
11 I'M KING DAVIS. I'M THE CHIEF OF POLICE FOR THE CITY OF AZUSA
12 AND I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY POLICE CHIEF'S
13 ASSOCIATION. I COME TODAY TO URGE YOU TO PASS THIS INITIATIVE,
14 TO PUT IT ON THE BALLOT FOR EVERYONE TO TAKE A LOOK AT. THE
15 CITY OF AZUSA HAS 60 POLICE OFFICERS. I NEED 70. THIS YEAR, WE
16 TOOK A CUT WITH THE REST OF THE PEOPLE IN THE CITY AND THE
17 OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND WE HAD TO CUT BACK TWO OFFICERS. SO
18 WE'RE GOING THE WRONG WAY. 10 OFFICERS OF THE 12 ACTUALLY I
19 NEED TO BRING US UP TO WHERE WE NEED TO BE IS GOING TO COST ME
20 SOMEWHERE CLOSE TO A MILLION AND A HALF DOLLARS. THE CITY OF
21 AZUSA DOESN'T HAVE A MILLION AND A HALF DOLLARS. IN ORDER TO
22 PROTECT OUR CITY ADEQUATELY, WE NEED HELP TO DO THIS. I ALSO
23 ASK YOU TO TAKE A VERY CLOSE LOOK AND MAKE SURE WE KEEP THAT
24 MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT ISSUE THAT WE TALKED ABOUT BEFORE. THERE
25 WILL BE TREMENDOUS POLITICAL PRESSURE ON THE COUNCILS AND ON



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1 OUR CITY MANAGERS AND EVERYBODY ELSE TO LET THIS AMOUNT ERODE
2 AS TIME GOES ON. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE MAINTAIN THE
3 EFFORT AS IT IS NOW, AND I URGE YOU TO LET THE CITIZENS OF THE
4 COUNTY DECIDE THIS ISSUE. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I WOULD ASK THAT MR. CRAIG GOLD
7 JOIN US, PLEASE. CHIEF LEWIS?

8

9 **LARRY LEWIS:** CHIEF LARRY LEWIS OF THE CITY OF ALHAMBRA POLICE
10 DEPARTMENT. MR. CHAIRMAN AND BOARD MEMBERS, I JUST WANTED TO
11 MAKE A COUPLE OF REMARKS. THE POSITION OF THE L.A. COUNTY
12 POLICE CHIEFS IS CLEAR AND I THINK IT WAS ARTICULATED WELL BY
13 CHIEF HERIN. AS A PAST PRESIDENT OF THE L.A. COUNTY CHIEFS, I
14 SUPPORT THAT BUT I WANTED TO GIVE YOU KIND OF A PRACTICAL
15 POINT OF VIEW. THIS IS VERY DIFFICULT FOR CHIEFS TO COME
16 BEFORE AN ELECTED BODY OR OUR OWN CITY COUNCILS AND TELL YOU
17 THERE'S SOMETHING THAT WE CAN'T DO. IT'S NOT IN OUR NATURE TO
18 DO THAT. OUR NATURE IS TO TELL PEOPLE WHAT WE CAN DO. IN OUR
19 CITY, WE HAVE EIGHT POSITIONS, EIGHT SWORN POSITIONS THAT ARE
20 FROZEN RIGHT NOW. SO THOSE ARE EIGHT POLICE OFFICERS LEFT OF
21 THE 94 THAT WERE AUTHORIZED FOR A CITY THAT'S CLOSE TO A
22 HUNDRED THOUSAND PEOPLE. IT IS AWKWARD AND DIFFICULT FOR YOU--
23 FOR US TO TELL YOU THAT WE NEED MORE BECAUSE WE NEED TO BE
24 BETTER AT WHAT WE DO. WE DO THE BEST WE CAN WITH WHAT WE HAVE
25 AND IT'S LARGELY BECAUSE OF THE STRENGTH OF THE MEN AND WOMEN



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1 THAT WORK WITH US. I CAN GIVE YOU A REALLY GOOD EXAMPLE THIS
2 LAST WEEKEND. WE HAD SO MANY ACTIVITIES GOING ON IN THE CITY
3 AND SO MUCH ACTIVITY THAT WE CALLED ON THE CITIES AROUND US:
4 SAN GABRIEL, SOUTH PASADENA, AND OTHERS BECAUSE WE RAN OUT OF
5 POLICE OFFICERS, AND THIS HAPPENS ALL THE TIME AND WE SHARE
6 BACK AND FORTH. OF AN INTERESTING NOTE THAT WAS ALREADY
7 MENTIONED EARLIER BY THE COUNCILMAN FROM LOS ANGELES, IS WE
8 HAD ASKED L.A.P.D. TO ARREST A ROBBERY SUSPECT THAT WE KNEW
9 WAS IN THEIR AREA, WHICH THEY DID. THEY CALLED US BACK LATER
10 AND WANTED TO KNOW HOW SOON WE COULD COME AND PICK UP THAT
11 INDIVIDUAL BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH OFFICERS TO TAKE
12 CARE OF HIM BECAUSE THEY WERE WORKING A SIX-VICTIM HOMICIDE
13 SHOOTING. I URGE YOU TO PUT THIS ON THE BALLOT AND LET OUR
14 PARTNERS, THE CITIZENS OF OUR COMMUNITIES, HELP US WITH THIS
15 ISSUE, BECAUSE THAT'S THE CENTER OF WHAT WE DO, IS TRYING TO
16 MAKE OUR COMMUNITIES BETTER BY WORKING TOGETHER. LET THEM
17 ASSIST IN THE DECISION, LET THEM HELP US, AND UNDERSTAND THAT
18 IT'S DIFFICULT FOR US TO COME BEFORE YOU AND ASK THESE
19 QUESTIONS BECAUSE, LIKE I SAID, IT'S JUST NOT IN OUR NATURE.
20 THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR
21 ASSISTANCE.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, CHIEF. THANKS FOR COMING DOWN.
24 CHARLES BRISER, MR. GOLD, THEN I'D ASK HAL NETKIN TO JOIN US
25 PLEASE.



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2 **CHARLES BRISER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. CHARLES BRISER FROM UNITE
3 US. GLAD TO BE HERE. VERY, VERY IMPORTANT TOPIC TODAY. GOT A
4 LOT OF RESPECT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT. I'D SAY AT LEAST 90% OF
5 THEM ARE OUT THERE DOING A GREAT JOB AND WE'VE GOT TO GIVE
6 THEM OUR SUPPORT. I'VE GOT A COUPLE CONCERNS. WENT DOWN TO THE
7 DAY OF DIALOGUE DOWN IN WATTS LAST WEEK AND SPOKE WITH SOME OF
8 THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN ONE OF THE HIGHEST CRIME AREAS IN THE
9 COUNTY AND I ASKED SOME OF THEIR-- AND ASKED THEM A COUPLE
10 QUESTIONS. ONE IS, I ASKED IS, WHAT EFFECT DOES GANGSTA RAP
11 MUSIC HAVE? AND THEY SAID IT'S TERRIBLE BECAUSE IT ENCOURAGES
12 VIOLENCE. IT ENCOURAGES PEOPLE TO TREAT EACH OTHER BAD, HURT
13 EACH OTHER, DISRESPECT WOMEN AND ALL THAT. SO ONE THING WE CAN
14 DO FOR FREE IS JUST ENCOURAGE EACH OTHER TO TREAT EACH OTHER
15 BETTER. YOU KNOW, WE'RE THE ADULTS NOW, SO WE'VE GOT TO PASS
16 THAT ON TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. THERE'S ONE STATION I HAVE A BIG,
17 BIG PROBLEM WITH AND THAT'S POWER 106 BECAUSE THEY CONSTANTLY
18 PREACH THAT GANGSTA RAP MUSIC, AND THAT ENCOURAGES THE
19 VIOLENCE. I'D LIKE FOR THE PUBLIC TO MAYBE CALL THAT STATION
20 AND ASK THEM TO CLEAN UP THEIR ACT. WE DON'T NEED THAT
21 PROMOTED IN THIS CITY. DO I HAVE THREE MINUTES OR TWO MINUTES?

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YOU HAVE 51 SECONDS LEFT.

24



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1 **CHARLES BRISER:** OH. OKAY. I HAVE TO BE QUICK. ALL RIGHT. I
2 GAVE YOU OUT A COUPLE REPORTS. ONE DEALS WITH THE FACT THAT
3 HIGH CRIME LEADS TO HIGH UNEMPLOYMENT. YOU KNOW THAT WHEN YOU
4 LOOK AROUND THE CITY, YOU SEE THE HIGHEST CRIME AREAS HAVE THE
5 HIGH UNEMPLOYMENT. SO ANYTHING WE CAN DO TO CREATE JOBS IN
6 THOSE AREAS WILL REALLY, REALLY CUT DOWN ON CRIME. THE CITY OF
7 FRESNO POINTED OUT HOW 14% UNEMPLOYMENT CAUSES THEM TO HAVE A
8 TWO AND A HALF TIMES GREATER CRIME RATE THAN OTHER CITIES THAT
9 SAME SIZE. SO THEY NOW REALIZE THAT JUST SIMPLY BY ENFORCING
10 LAW ENFORCEMENT, THAT JUST MEANS MORE MONEY AND MORE EXPENSES
11 AND IT'S GOING TO TAKE UP MORE OF THEIR-- A HIGHER PERCENTAGE
12 OF THEIR BUDGET. RIGHT NOW IT'S 56%, AND THEY SEE THAT GOING
13 UP TO A HUNDRED PERCENT. SO THE KEY IS MORE JOBS AND ANY MONEY
14 THAT WE SPEND ON THIS, IF THIS PASSES, SHOULD GO TO HELP
15 CREATE MORE JOBS. FOR INSTANCE, CONTRACTS DEDICATED TO LAW
16 ENFORCEMENT OR THE PRISON INDUSTRY, WE SHOULD TRY AND CREATE
17 MORE JOBS FROM BUSINESSES IN THAT INDUSTRY. ONE EXAMPLE, I
18 KNOW OF A AFRICAN-AMERICAN CONTRACTOR THAT MAKES MATTRESSES.
19 NOW IMAGINE IF HE HAD TO CONTRACT TO SUPPLY MATTRESSES TO
20 PRISONS, HOW MANY JOBS HE COULD CREATE RIGHT THERE IN THAT
21 AREA. SO MORE JOBS MEANS LESS CRIME, IT MEANS MORE TAX
22 REVENUE, MORE FAMILIES STAYING TOGETHER, MORE SUCCESSFUL
23 BUSINESSES THAT, IN TURN, CAN CREATE MORE JOBS. I THINK THAT'S
24 WHERE THE EMPHASIS SHOULD BE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ASK KEVIN BIGGARS TO JOIN US AND
2 LADY CAGE-BARILE. MR. GOLD?

3

4 **CRAIG GOLD:** YES, THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN. ON BEHALF OF THE
5 ASSOCIATION OF DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEYS, MY NAME IS CRAIG
6 GOLD, I'M THE VICE PRESIDENT, I'M HERE AND SPEAKING ON BEHALF
7 OF OUR PRESIDENT, STEVE EPSON AND THE 935 DISTRICT ATTORNEYS
8 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE PROUDLY SUPPORT AND ENDORSE THE
9 EFFORTS TO FACILITATE THE ULTIMATE PASSAGE OF THE LOS ANGELES
10 COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY TAX ACT INITIATED
11 BY SHERIFF LEE BACA. SHERIFF BACA CAME TO ADDRESS US AND WE
12 WERE VERY IMPRESSED BY HIS PERSONAL COMMITMENT THAT'S BEEN
13 GOING ON FOR MANY YEARS NOW, AND WE FULLY SUPPORT HIS
14 IMPORTANT INITIATIVE AND HIS DEMONSTRATION OF THE COMPELLING
15 NEEDS TO ADDRESS LAW ENFORCEMENT, MANPOWER SHORTAGES,
16 RESPONSIVE PROBLEMS AND OVERALL PUBLIC SAFETY RESPONSIVENESS
17 ON A COUNTYWIDE BASIS. HIS DEDICATION TO THE LOS ANGELES
18 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, LAW ENFORCEMENT IN GENERAL, AND TO
19 ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY IN THESE CHALLENGING FISCAL TIMES ARE
20 HIGHLY COMMENDABLE, CERTAINLY ON BEHALF OF OUR ASSOCIATION AND
21 TO THE PUBLIC. WE CLEARLY STAND BEHIND HIM AND ALL LAW
22 ENFORCEMENT IN THEIR EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE PASSAGE OF THIS
23 SIGNIFICANT INITIATIVE FOR OUR COMMUNITY. WE THANK YOU AND
24 HOPE FOR YOUR SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. GOLD. I WOULD ASK MICHAEL
2 BAUER TO JOIN US. GO AHEAD, MR. NETKIN.

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4 **HAL NETKIN:** HAL NETKIN.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD.

7

8 **HAL NETKIN:** OKAY. THE VAST MAJORITY OF CITIZENS SUPPORT LAW
9 ENFORCEMENT AND THEY WILL VOTE FOR A SALES TAX INCREASE IF
10 THEY KNOW THEY'RE GOING TO GET THEIR MONEY'S WORTH. AS
11 REPORTED IN THE NEWS MEDIA, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS
12 PROPOSING TO UTILIZE SIX SHERIFF PERSONNEL TO SCREEN ILLEGAL
13 ALIEN INMATES TO DETERMINE THEIR DEPORTABILITY. IF THIS
14 PROPOSAL WERE TO BE ATTACHED TO THE ONE-HALF PERCENT
15 INITIATIVE, IT WILL WIN IN A LANDSLIDE. IF IT'S NOT, MANY,
16 LIKE MYSELF, WILL PERCEIVE THIS INITIATIVE AS MERELY THROWING
17 MONEY AT THE PROBLEM WITHOUT SOLVING IT. IF THE SHERIFF'S
18 DEPARTMENT WORKED IN CONJUNCTION WITH I.C.E., THE DEPARTMENT
19 WOULD SPARE THE D.A. THE TROUBLE OF PROSECUTING 40,000 INMATES
20 AND LEGITIMATELY AND LEGALLY HAVE THOSE WHO ARE PREDISPOSED TO
21 CRIMINAL ACTIVITY DEPORTED, SAVING THE COUNTY \$150 MILLION PER
22 YEAR, NOT TO MENTION THE CRIME COSTS TO SOCIETY. TO THOSE WHO
23 ARE OPPOSED TO THIS MEASURE ON THE GROUNDS THAT THE COUNTY
24 JAILS ARE ALREADY UNDERSTAFFED AND OVERCROWDED AND REQUIRING
25 SIX SHERIFF PERSONNEL TO SPEND TIME DOING FEDERAL AGENT JOBS



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1 WILL ONLY INCREASE THE COUNTY WORKLOAD, I SAY TRANSFERRING
2 40,000 ILLEGAL ALIENS FROM THE COUNTY JAIL TO THEIR NATIVE
3 COUNTRY WILL REDUCE THE NEED FOR SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL. TO THOSE
4 WHO SAY THAT LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS SHOULDN'T ENFORCE
5 FEDERAL LAWS, I SAY YOU'RE RIGHT IN THIS CASE. DON'T ENFORCE
6 FEDERAL LAW. SIMPLY TURN THE ILLEGAL ALIEN INMATES OVER TO THE
7 I.C.E. AND LET THEM ENFORCE FEDERAL LAW. TO THOSE WHO SAY THAT
8 THIS PROPOSAL IS SOMEHOW RACIALLY MOTIVATED, I SAY THAT YOU
9 ARE INSULTING IMMIGRANTS WHO PLAY BY THE RULES, WHO WANT
10 ILLEGAL ALIEN CRIMINALS DEPORTED JUST AS MUCH AS NATIVE
11 AMERICANS DO. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. BIGGARS, AND THEN ASK WARREN
14 WILLIAMS TO JOIN US, PLEASE.

15

16 **KEVIN BIGGARS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. HONORABLE CHAIR,
17 HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS KEVIN BIGGARS, AND I AM THE
18 DIRECTOR OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN VOTER REP PROJECT IN LOS
19 ANGELES. ON BEHALF OF OUR CHAIRMAN ASSEMBLY MEMBER MARK RIDLEY
20 THOMAS, I AM VERY HONORED TO BE HERE. WE ARE AN ORGANIZATION
21 THAT REGISTERS VOTERS, EDUCATES VOTERS AND ENCOURAGES THE
22 VOTERS TO PARTICIPATE IN EVERY ELECTION. FOR THE PUBLIC
23 SAFETY, HOMELAND SECURITY INITIATIVE, WE HAD OVER 150 TEAM
24 MEMBERS WHO WERE COLLECTING SIGNATURES THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES
25 COUNTY AND RECEIVED JUST UNDER 37,000 SIGNATURES TO HELP



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1 PROTECT PUBLIC SAFETY. I AM HERE TODAY TO ASK THE BOARD TO
2 PRESERVE THE WORLD-CLASS LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES THROUGHOUT
3 OUR COUNTY BY ALLOWING THE VOTERS TO DECIDE ON THE HALF CENT
4 SALES TAX. PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THE STATE BUDGET CRISIS OVER
5 THE NEXT SEVERAL YEARS BY PLACING THE PUBLIC SAFETY HOMELAND
6 SECURITY INITIATIVE ON THE BALLOT, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
7 CITIZENS WILL AT LEAST HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE A PUBLIC
8 DEBATE. WITH THE THREAT OF TERRORISM, GOD FORBID IF DOWNTOWN
9 LOS ANGELES OR L.A.X. WAS ATTACKED. WE OWE IT TO OUR CITIZENS
10 TO HAVE THE APPROPRIATE RESPONSE AND PERSONNEL IN PLACE. THE
11 BOTTOM LINE IS, THIS INITIATIVE WILL ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY. I
12 DON'T HAVE TO REMIND THE GOOD SUPERVISORS THAT THE STATE AND
13 FEDERAL DOLLARS CANNOT BE COUNTED ON WHEN WE NEED THEM THE
14 MOST. WE CANNOT AFFORD TO WISH. WE SHOULD HAVE AT LEAST
15 DEBATED THIS ISSUE THOROUGHLY. IF IT FAILS, LET IT BE BECAUSE
16 THE VOTERS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY VOTED IT DOWN. I BELIEVE THE
17 PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARE VERY CAPABLE OF MAKING THE
18 RIGHT CHOICE, JUST LIKE THE VOTERS, IN THEIR GOOD JUDGMENT,
19 ELECTED ALL OF YOU, LET THEM, TOO, DECIDE THE FATE OF THIS
20 INITIATIVE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND ALSO I WANT TO THANK THE
21 SHERIFF FOR HIS EXTRAORDINARY LEADERSHIP.

22
23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YES.



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1 **LADY CAGE-BARILE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY
2 NAME IS LADY CAGE-BARILE. I HOLD A MASTER'S IN SOCIAL SCIENCE
3 THROUGH SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY IN BATON ROUGE, CALIFORNIA POLY
4 TECH IN POMONA, SANTA MONICA CITY COLLEGE AND POMONA-- SANTA
5 MONICA CITY COLLEGE AND PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY. I'M A MEMBER OF
6 NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN. I AM A MEMBER OF SIGMA GAMMA
7 ROSA SORORITY AND I'M BAPTIZED INTO THE CHURCH OF CHRIST. I'M
8 HERE TO GIVE MY SUPPORT AS WELL AS FROM TALKING TO
9 CONSTITUENTS FROM THE SECOND DISTRICT REGARDING THIS MEASURE,
10 THIS PROPOSAL THAT IT BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT. SHERIFF BACA,
11 THE CHIEF OF POLICE, THE COUNCILMEN, THE MAYORS, THEY HAVE ALL
12 PRESENTED A EXCELLENT ARGUMENT, AND THEY NEED MONEY. ALL OF
13 THEM WOULD BE LYING IF THEY CAME FORWARD AND NOT PRESENTED
14 WHAT THEY FELT WAS THE TRUTH, AND I DOUBT IF THEY'RE ALL
15 LYING. SO THEY NEED MONEY. I ALSO NEED TO SAY THAT ALSO COMES
16 RESPONSIBILITY WITH THE MONEY, AND WE DO NEED TO HAVE, LIKE,
17 TEMPORARY RESTRAINT OF BEHAVIOR, TRAINING IN THE COMMUNITY BY
18 THE POLICE OFFICERS AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS TRAINING, ALSO
19 COMMUNITY MEETINGS BY THE CHIEFS WITHIN THE COMMUNITY TO GET A
20 HANDLE OF WHAT'S HAPPENING WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. WE ALSO-- I
21 THINK THAT THERE SHOULD BE AN INCREASE IN PROMOTION OF
22 MINORITY OFFICERS. THEY NEED MONEY FOR ALL OF THIS, AND ALL OF
23 THE INCORPORATED CITIES-- IT'S A SHAME THAT THEY HAVE NO
24 RESOURCES TO HELP THEM GET MORE POLICE OFFICERS, GET MORE
25 PATROL CARS. THEY NEED HELP. WE WANT THIS ON THE BALLOT JUST



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1 AS WE ASKED YOU TO PLACE THE MATTER REGARDING THE CROSS THING
2 ON THE COUNTY SEAL. ON THE BALLOT. PLACE THIS ON THE BALLOT.
3 WE ARE ADULTS. WE KNOW WHAT WE WANT. WE'VE PLACED YOU IN
4 OFFICE TO TAKE CARE OF CERTAIN THINGS BUT THERE ARE OTHER
5 THINGS THAT WE WANT TO HAVE AN ANSWER FOR AND TO GIVE OUR
6 OPINION ON, AND WE WANT THIS TO BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT. SO I
7 THANK YOU ALL SO VERY MUCH AND THANK YOU, CHIEF BACA, FOR YOUR
8 HELP.

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10 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THANK YOU.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. BAUER.

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14 **MICHAEL BAUER:** YES, TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, MY NAME IS
15 MICHAEL RAYMOND BAUER. I'M A PARALEGAL STUDENT AT LOS ANGELES
16 CITY COLLEGE APPEARING FOR THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
17 I DISAGREE WITH THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY ABOUT THIS
18 TAX INCREASE, AND I DO APPEAR ON BEHALF OF THE SHERIFF AND THE
19 LOS ANGELES AND THE POLICE COMMISSION OF THE COUNTY OF LOS
20 ANGELES TO PUT THIS TAX INCREASE ON THE BALLOT. THE REASON I
21 AM SAYING THIS IS BECAUSE THE AVERAGE POLICE RESPONSE FOR 9-1-
22 1 CALL OR A CALL WITHOUT 9-1-1 TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IS
23 BETWEEN 15 AND 45 MINUTES FOR THEM TO RESPOND. A MURDER CAN
24 HAPPEN WITHIN THAT TIME. A KIDNAPPING CAN HAPPEN WITHIN THAT
25 TIME OR EVEN WORSE STUFF COULD HAPPEN. IF THERE'S A DOMESTIC



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1 VIOLENCE CALL, IT CAN GET WORSE. SO I AM ACTUALLY REQUESTING
2 THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DO PUT THIS ON THE BALLOT AND
3 LET THE CITIZENS DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT THEY SHOULD HAVE THIS
4 ACTUALLY AS A MEASURE. I RATHER THINK THAT THE CITIZENS OF LOS
5 ANGELES COUNTY WOULD RATHER PROTECT THEMSELVES THAN TO GET
6 KILLED OR SOMETHING ELSE TO HAPPEN, BECAUSE THIS IS, I MEAN, I
7 THINK THERE SHOULD BE MORE POLICE RESPONSE. I THINK THERE
8 SHOULD BE MORE POLICE EMPLOYEES AND BETTER EDUCATION FOR THE
9 SHERIFF AND BETTER EDUCATION FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENTS. I
10 THINK THAT'S WHERE THIS MONEY NEEDS TO GO, IN PROPER TRAINING.
11 I ALSO THINK THERE SHOULD BE MORE ENFORCEMENT ON CITIZENS'
12 PATROL AND ALSO THE POLICE PATROL. I MEAN, IF YOU'RE IN A CITY
13 OF, LIKE EL MONTE, IF THERE'S ANY EL MONTE OFFICERS HERE, YOU
14 DON'T SEE A POLICE CAR GOING BY ON SANTA ANITA AVENUE BUT,
15 LIKE, ONCE EVERY 30 MINUTES. DO YOU THINK THAT'S PROPER
16 TIMING? NO. THERE COULD BE A MURDER RIGHT THERE AND THERE
17 WOULD BE NO OFFICER EVEN THERE AROUND THERE TO SEE IT. IF YOU
18 HAVE MORE POLICE OFFICERS AND MORE SHERIFFS IN THE AREA, YOU
19 ACTUALLY WOULD HAVE MORE TIME AND MORE OFFICERS TO SEE STUFF
20 HAPPEN. IF AN OFFICER SAW A BEATING, HE COULD RESPOND RIGHT
21 THERE BECAUSE HE WOULD BE IN THE AREA. I REQUEST THIS BE ON
22 THE BALLOT.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU. MR. WILLIAMS? MR. WILLIAMS?

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1 **WARREN WILLIAMS:** YES. THANK YOU. FIRST OF ALL, THIS CANNOT BE
2 SUPPORTED IN ANY FORM. ONE, IT SHOULD NOT BE ON THE BALLOT.
3 MORE IMPORTANTLY, IT SHOULD NOT EVEN BE CONSIDERED. ALREADY
4 THERE'S TOO MUCH MONEY MISAPPROPRIATED FUNDING WHAT IS ALLEGED
5 TO BE PUBLIC SAFETY WHEN IT'S NOT PUBLIC SAFETY. WE'VE SEEN
6 THAT WITH RODNEY KING, WE'VE SEEN THAT WITH GIBSON, WE SEE
7 THAT NOW WITH MILLER. WE ALSO KNOW THAT, NOT TOO LONG AGO,
8 THERE WERE CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT THAT
9 WAS MOVING A CANDIDATE TO GO AGAINST SUPERVISOR BURKE, AND
10 THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS CONVICTED OF POLICE BRUTALITY BY A FEDERAL
11 COURT. THERE SEEMS TO BE A ICON OF WHAT WE'RE CONFRONTING
12 HERE. WITH A HIGH PERCENTAGE OF UNEMPLOYMENT ALLEGED TO BE,
13 THEREFORE, THE CAUSE OF WHY A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE COMMITTING
14 CRIME, WE HAVE BRATTON'S STATEMENT SAYING THAT THE BLACK FACE
15 IS THE FACE OF CRIME, CRIMINALS. WE HAVE BRATTON SAYING THAT
16 BLACK MEN ARE TRIBAL THUGS AND BRATTON ALLEGING THAT GANG
17 MEMBERS ARE TERRORISTS. WELL, THE ONLY ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT THAT
18 I HAVE SEEN SINCE BIRTH IS WHITE AMERICANS, WHO SLAUGHTERED
19 AND MASSACRED THE INDIANS. YOU DID TAKE THAT BY THEM GIVING
20 THE LAND TO YOU. YOU ARE THE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS, SO LET'S LOOK
21 AT REALITY HERE, BECAUSE WHAT YOU ARE ASKING THE PUBLIC TO
22 FUND AND ALLEGING WHAT THE PUBLIC SAYING WHEN THEY HAVE NEVER
23 RECEIVED A COPY OF THIS PACKAGE, WHICH THE PUBLIC HAVE NOT
24 SAID, YOU'RE ASKING THEM TO FUND THINGS LIKE THIS, OF WHERE
25 THEY PUT MULTIPLE ROUNDS IN A INDIVIDUAL, AND THEN THEY USE



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1 THINGS LIKE THIS IN THEIR OWN TRAINING, SO-CALLED STREET
2 SURVIVAL. WHAT WE NEED WITH THE POLICE IS BEHAVIORAL
3 MODIFICATION. I'VE SPOKEN TO THE BOARD BEFORE ABOUT NURTURING
4 YOUNG BLACK MALES. WHAT WOULD PROPERLY FUND NEED AND NOT
5 GREED. IN A RACIST AMERICA, WE CANNOT CONTINUE TO FUND IT. THE
6 SOLUTION IS FUND REPARATIONS FOR BLACK FOR THE BLACK HOLOCAUST
7 AND ELIMINATE THE HIGH DEGREE OF UNEMPLOYMENT, THE ABUSE WITH
8 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES DESTROYING
9 FAMILIES, THE HIGH INCARCERATION OF BLACK MEN INSIDE OF
10 PRISONS, WHERE WERE THEY HELD UNDER TERRORIST ACTS BY MOSTLY
11 WHITE PEOPLE THAT COME OUTSIDE OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY, WARREN. YOU CAN WRAP IT UP.

14

15 **WARREN WILLIAMS:** YES. THE BOTTOM LINE IS WHAT IT'S SAYING
16 ACCORDING TO STATE CONSTITUTION IS THAT THE PEOPLE HAVE A
17 RIGHT FOR REFORM. INDEED, THE LEGACY OF AMERICA IS ETCHED IN
18 STONE FROM SLAVERY TO THE EARLY '90S, FROM THE RIOT THAT
19 HAPPENED IN CHICAGO IN SAINT LOUIS YEARS AGO, IT'S BEEN
20 ESTABLISHED THAT THE POLICE COMMISSIONS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT IS
21 DEFENDING WHITE SUPREMACY. IT IS NOT DEFENDING THE BEST
22 INTEREST OF THE AVERAGE CITIZEN, LEAST OF ALL THE BLACK
23 POPULATION. IT SHOULD NOT BE APPROVED AND WE DO COMPLETELY
24 OPPOSE IT.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. THAT IS THE LAST SPEAKER.
2 I STILL THINK...

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YEAH, MR. YAROSLAVSKY.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, FIRST OF ALL, I'M GOING TO
9 HAVE A NUMBER OF MOTIONS I WANT TO MAKE AND I WANT TO GO
10 THROUGH A NUMBER OF ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN RAISED, BOTH LAST
11 WEEK, AT THE MEETING LAST WEEK ON FRIDAY AND THEN AGAIN THIS
12 MORNING IN THE PUBLIC HEARING.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SHERIFF, DO YOU WANT TO STAY?

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FIRST OF ALL, I JUST WANT TO, AGAIN, THANK
17 THE SHERIFF, LEE BACA, AND THE MANY POLICE CHIEFS FROM AROUND
18 LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS WHO HAVE
19 SPOKEN UP IN FAVOR OF THIS, WHO HAVE COME TOGETHER TO ASK US
20 FOR A PROPOSAL. THEY HAVEN'T COME HERE AS CRITICS, THEY'VE
21 COME HERE WITH AN IDEA, AND IT'S NOT AN IDEA THAT IS FREE FROM
22 DOUBT. IT'S NOT AN IDEA THAT IS A SLAM DUNK, BY ANY MEANS, BUT
23 IT IS A PATH TO BETTER PUBLIC SAFETY AND TO BETTER COMMUNITY
24 SAFETY IN OUR COUNTY, AND IT'S THE ONLY IDEA THAT'S BEFORE US
25 AT THIS TIME. AND IF IT HADN'T HAVE BEEN FOR THE SHERIFF AND



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1 HIS COLLEAGUES IN LAW ENFORCEMENT PROPOSING THIS, WE WOULDN'T
2 BE TALKING ABOUT IT HERE TODAY. WHETHER ANY OF US SUPPORT THIS
3 OR VOTE FOR IT AT THE BALLOT OR NOT IS UP TO EACH AND EVERY
4 ONE OF US, BUT WHAT THE ISSUE IS WHETHER THE PEOPLE OF LOS
5 ANGELES COUNTY HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE THAT DECISION.
6 UNLIKE MANY OTHER BALLOT MEASURES, THIS IS ONE WHICH IS A
7 PREREQUISITE TO THE FUNDING BEING MADE AVAILABLE. THE BOARD OF
8 SUPERVISORS CANNOT RAISE A TAX. ONLY THE PEOPLE CAN RAISE A
9 TAX. AND, UNDER THE STATE CONSTITUTION, ONLY TWO-THIRDS OF THE
10 VOTERS CAN RAISE THE TAX. SO IT IS A VERY STEEP MOUNTAIN TO
11 CLIMB. I'VE SHARED THIS CONCERN. THIS HALF A CENT IS A VERY
12 STEEP MOUNTAIN TO CLIMB BUT I ALSO THINK THAT THE LAW
13 ENFORCEMENT COMMUNITY HAS A VERY COMPELLING STORY TO TELL AND
14 A VERY COMPELLING PLAN TO SELL TO THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTY,
15 AND I THINK THAT THE SHERIFF HAS PERSUADED ME, AS HAVE THE
16 OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS, THAT THEY OUGHT TO HAVE THAT
17 OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE THEIR CASE TO THE PEOPLE. AND I BELIEVE
18 THAT, BY THE WAY, THAT ONLY THE SHERIFF AND THE LAW
19 ENFORCEMENT CHIEFS AND OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL OF THIS
20 REGION CAN MAKE THAT CASE TO THE PEOPLE. I DON'T THINK
21 POLITICIANS CAN. I HONESTLY DON'T THINK ANYBODY BUT THE PEOPLE
22 WHO ARE ON THE FRONT LINES SERVING THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTY
23 AND PUTTING THEIR LIVES ON THE LINE EVERY DAY CAN MAKE THAT
24 CASE, JUST AS IT WAS THE FIRE PERSONNEL AND THE EMERGENCY
25 MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL WHO MADE THE CASE FOR THE TRAUMA



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1 MEASURE TWO YEARS AGO THIS YEAR. SO I THANK YOU, SHERIFF,
2 AND... NOT FOR ALL THE MENTAL CALISTHENICS WE'VE HAD TO DO
3 OVER THIS LANGUAGE, BUT I THANK YOU FOR THE IDEA. NOW, I'D
4 LIKE TO HAVE THE ATTENTION OF THE C.A.O. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF
5 ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN RAISED, BOTH INTERNALLY AND BY-- IN THIS
6 PUBLIC HEARING. ONE OF THEM INVOLVES THE ISSUE I RAISED
7 EARLIER, WHICH IS WHAT HAPPENS WHEN A CITY-- IF THERE IS SUCH
8 A CITY THAT DOESN'T SPEND ALL OF ITS FUNDS OVER A PERIOD OF
9 TIME? IT IS CONCEIVABLE THAT THERE WILL BE A CITY OR MORE THAN
10 ONE CITY IN THE COUNTY WHICH CANNOT SPEND ALL OF THE MONEY
11 BECAUSE OF A QUIRK IN THEIR CITY, IT'S OUT IN THE RURAL AREA,
12 IT DOESN'T HAVE A VERY HIGH CRIME RATE OR IT HAS A VERY SMALL
13 POLICE DEPARTMENT. THERE'S JUST NO WAY THEY CAN SPEND ALL OF
14 THE MONEY THAT THEY WOULD GET BASED ON THEIR POPULATION AND,
15 IF THAT'S THE CASE, WE NEED TO HAVE A PROVISION THAT HANDLES
16 THAT. AND WHAT I WANT TO DO THEN IS PUT THIS, AND ASK MY STAFF
17 TO CIRCULATE THIS MOTION AS FOLLOWS: JURISDICTIONS TO RECEIVE
18 PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY TAX ACT FUNDS SHOULD BE
19 REQUIRED TO SPEND THEM WITHIN A REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME.
20 OTHERWISE THOSE FUNDS SHOULD BE REDISTRIBUTED TO THE OTHER
21 RECIPIENTS. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT A NEW SECTION, 4.69.050 D-1
22 BE ADDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: "FUNDS DEPOSITED INTO AN ENTITY'S
23 PUBLIC SAFETY RESERVE TRUST ACCOUNT MUST BE SPENT WITHIN FIVE
24 YEARS. IF ANY SUCH FUNDS ARE NOT SO SPENT, THE AUDITOR-
25 CONTROLLER WILL DEDUCT THE AMOUNT OF THE UNSPENT FUNDS FROM



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1 THE ENTITY'S ALLOCATION OF REVENUES FOR THE SIXTH YEAR, AND
2 THEN THE CYCLE WOULD START AGAIN." IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT SOME
3 OF THE-- YOU KNOW, THAT IT WOULD PROVIDE A PROVISION-- THAT WE
4 INSERT A PROVISION HERE TO ALLOW FOR CAPITAL FUNDS
5 ACCUMULATION. I BELIEVE THAT, IF THERE IS A CAPITAL, AN
6 APPROVED CAPITAL PROGRAM, THAT THEY COULD APPROPRIATE MONEY
7 THAT THEY RECEIVED INTO A CAPITAL PROGRAM, LIKE FOR A POLICE
8 CAR OR CARS, OR FOR A POLICE STATION OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
9 BUT THE BULK OF THIS MONEY IS TO BE USED FOR PERSONNEL. AND I
10 THINK THAT THIS SHOULD BE-- BE ABLE TO LIVE WITH THAT. SECOND
11 ISSUE, WE'LL GET TO THE EASY ONES FIRST. ALL RIGHT. MR.
12 JANSSEN, THE GENTLEMAN FROM THE CITY OF GLENDORA RAISED THE
13 ISSUE ON THE M.O.E., MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT, AND, BY THE WAY, I
14 JUST COULDN'T HELP BUT NOTICE THAT THE CITY OF GLENDORA, WHICH
15 IS ABOUT TWICE THE SIZE AS THE CITY OF LA CANADA, FLINTRIDGE
16 HAS A PUBLIC SAFETY BUDGET EIGHT TIMES THE SIZE OF THE CITY OF
17 LA CANADA, FLINTRIDGE. THE CITY OF GLENDORA IS AN INDEPENDENT
18 CITY. THE CITY OF LA CANADA, FLINTRIDGE IS A CONTRACT CITY. I
19 DON'T WANT TO DRAW ANY CONCLUSIONS FROM THAT, BUT I THINK
20 THAT'S-- NEVERTHELESS, IT STARES ME IN THE FACE. HAVING SAID
21 THAT, THE CITY OF GLENDORA RAISED THE ISSUE OF THE M.O.E. IS
22 THERE A WAY WE CAN ADDRESS THAT? I THINK THIS WAS-- YOU'RE
23 TRYING TO BE RESPONSIVE TO TIGHTENING THE MAINTENANCE OF
24 EFFORT LANGUAGE SO THAT WE DON'T HAVE WHAT I DESCRIBED EARLIER
25 IN RESPONSE TO HIM OF JUST BACKING OUT MONEY, AND I THINK THAT



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1 WAS A RESPONSE TO SUPERVISOR KNABE'S CONCERNS LAST-- TWO WEEKS
2 AGO AND THEY WERE RIGHT ON THE MONEY. BUT IS THERE A WAY WE
3 CAN FINE TUNE THIS OR MODIFY IT SO THAT YOU DON'T HAVE AN
4 UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCE OF A CITY'S FINANCIAL BUDGET IMPLODING
5 OVER A REQUIREMENT OF THIS TYPE.

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7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I THINK-- THE ANSWER, I THINK, IS YES UNDER
8 THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT. IF THE MAINTENANCE EFFORT WAS TIED
9 TO THE GROWTH OF THE REVENUE SOURCE, THAT WOULD DEAL WITH THE
10 PROBLEM THAT THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT. YOU WOULDN'T THEN BE
11 FORCING PEOPLE TO GROW BEYOND THE RESOURCES AVAILABLE. I THINK
12 THE REAL CONCERN HERE IS THAT THE MONEY NOT-- THE NEW MONEY
13 NOT BE SUPPLANTED, THAT IT BE USED FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT
14 PURPOSES, NOT THAT IT DRIVE INCREASED EXPENDITURES IN THE REST
15 OF THE CITY OR THE COUNTY'S BUDGET ABOVE WHAT THEY CAN AFFORD.
16 SO I DO THINK THAT THAT SECTION COULD BE TWEAKED TO DEAL WITH
17 THAT. THE OTHER PROBLEM HE RAISED, THOUGH, I THINK, IS ALREADY
18 ADDRESSED IN THE ORDINANCE, AND THAT IS IN TWO DIFFERENT
19 SECTIONS WHERE IT TALKS ABOUT REDUCED EXPENDITURES,
20 NECESSITATED BY REDUCTIONS IN STATE OR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE,
21 ALTHOUGH, HOPEFULLY, WE'LL SOLVE THAT PROBLEM THIS WEEK AND WE
22 WON'T HAVE THE STATE RATING US ALL THE TIME. BUT THERE ARE TWO
23 PROVISIONS WHERE THE CITY COUNCIL OR THE BOARD COULD MAKE
24 REDUCTIONS BASED ON LOST REVENUES ALREADY IN THE ORDINANCE BUT
25 THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT, I THINK, PROBABLY, COULD BE TWEAKED



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1 TO TIE IT TO THE GROWTH AND THE REVENUE, INSTEAD OF THE
2 BUDGET.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. FOR THE SAKE OF DISCUSSION, JUST
5 SO THAT WE CAN GET IT ON THE TABLE, I WOULD MOVE THAT. I DON'T
6 HAVE IT IN WRITING BECAUSE IT CAME UP DURING THE HEARING, I'D
7 LIKE TO HEAR WHAT MY COLLEAGUES HAVE TO SAY ABOUT THAT. I
8 THINK IT'S A-- AND I'M SURE THE CITY OF GLENDORA IS NOT THE
9 ONLY ONE THAT IS GOING TO FIND THEMSELVES IN THE SITUATION,
10 AND...

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12 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** MAY I COMMENT TO THAT?

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

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16 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** IN THE INITIAL MEASURE, THE CONSUMER PRICE
17 INDEX WAS NOT THE GUIDING FACTOR. MY SUGGESTION WOULD BE, IF
18 THE FLEXIBILITY IS SUCH THAT THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX BECOMES
19 AN ARBITRARY INCREASE THAT DOESN'T REALIZE ITSELF EVENLY CITY
20 BY CITY, THAT YOU JUST USE THE EXISTING GENERAL FUND REVENUE
21 INCREASE THAT WILL HAPPEN THROUGH THE QUARTERLY
22 PROGRESSIVENESS BUT YOU CAN'T PUT THIS IN THE INITIATIVE, IT'S
23 TOO COMPLICATED. BUT THE IDEA IS, IF THE MONEY GOES UP ON A
24 NOTE FROM ONE YEAR TO THE NEXT, THEN THE THRESHOLD FOR THE
25 APPROPRIATION CAN BE PROPORTIONAL TO WHATEVER ELSE THE CITIES



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1 AND COUNTIES HAVE TO PROVIDE. OR IF THE MONEY GOES DOWN, IT'S
2 ALSO PROPORTIONAL REDUCTION.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WOULD YOU HAVE A PROBLEM IF THE M.O.E. WAS
5 TIED TO THE SALES TAX REVENUE GROWTH?

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7 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** NO, I WOULDN'T. I THINK IT...

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT WOULD BE THE SIMPLEST.

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11 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** ...IT MAKES SENSE TO DO THAT BUT BEAR IN
12 MIND THERE'S SOME DISTINCTION BETWEEN WHAT PROPERTY TAX
13 REVENUE INCREASES BRING AS WELL AS SALES TAX BUT I THINK THE
14 KEY IS EQUITY. WHAT EVERY OTHER SERVICE WILL GAIN THROUGH A
15 NATURAL RISING ECONOMY, LAW ENFORCEMENT SHOULD NOT BE DENIED
16 THAT PROPORTIONALITY AS WELL. THAT'S, I THINK, WHAT DON IS
17 SUGGESTING, BUT I THINK DON...

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YEAH, I THINK THE DEVIL'S IN THE DETAILS. I
20 MEAN, IF YOU COME BACK WITH ANY TWEAKING LANGUAGE AT SOME
21 READING NEXT WEEK, WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND ALL THAT,
22 BUT I'M-- YOU KNOW, I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO
23 THERE, AND I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO BUT WE NEED
24 TO MAKE SURE WHATEVER THAT ULTIMATE FINAL LANGUAGE IS, THAT WE
25 HAVE SOME CLARIFICATION. SUPERVISOR BURKE?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M NOT-- CAN I JUST FINISH? A COUPLE MORE
3 MOTIONS.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SHE WAS GOING TO FOLLOW UP ON THIS ISSUE.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OH, OKAY.

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9 **SUP. BURKE:** YEAH, I JUST THINK THAT THERE IS ONE ISSUE THAT
10 GETS TO BE VERY DIFFICULT, AND I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU SOLVE IT,
11 I WISH I HAD SOME SUGGESTIONS. WE HAVE A PROVISION IN THERE,
12 WE HAVE TO HAVE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT. WHEN THERE IS AN
13 INCREASE IN TERMS OF THE AMOUNT OF SALES TAX, WE ASSUME THAT
14 EVERY CITY OR-- AND THE COUNTY WILL INCREASE THEIR LAW
15 ENFORCEMENT UP TO THAT LEVEL. BUT WE KNOW THAT, AT SOME TIME,
16 THE CYCLE CHANGES AND SOMETIMES WE'VE EXPERIENCED HUGE CHANGES
17 AND LOSS IN SALES TAX. NOW, THE QUESTION THAT IS A DIFFICULT
18 ONE AND, AS I SAY, I WISH I KNEW HOW TO SOLVE IT, AS SOON AS
19 THAT REVENUE DECREASES DOWN THERE AND YOU MAY HAVE 10%, 15%
20 DECREASE, YOU HAVE PEOPLE THERE THAT EITHER THE CITY HAS TO
21 MAKE UP THAT MONEY OR YOU HAVE TO CUT.

22

23 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** NO, THE CUT HAS TO COME.

24

25 **SUP. BURKE:** AND THE CUT IS A TOUGH ONE.



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SUP. BURKE: NOW, I GUESS THE ONLY WAY A CITY TAKES THAT INTO
CONSIDERATION AND PLANS FOR THAT IS TO KEEP A CERTAIN AMOUNT
IN RESERVE. NOW, I'M SATISFIED WITH THIS IDEA AT SIX YEARS,
THAT THAT RESERVE, IF YOU HAVE MAINTAINED A RESERVE FOR SIX
YEARS, THAT IT THEN SHOULD BE TRANSFERRED TO ANOTHER CITY, BUT
WE DO RECOGNIZE THAT THE AMOUNT THAT MAY BE THE DECREASE AND
THE NUMBER OF LAW ENFORCEMENT PEOPLE WHO HAVE TO BE TERMINATED
IF WE RUN INTO A RECESSION AS WE DID IN THE EARLY '90S MAY BE
SUBSTANTIAL. NOW, I DON'T-- I THINK WE CANNOT DEPEND ON AND
SAY, OKAY, WE'RE GOING TO PLAN FOR THE RECESSION AND WE WOULD
ENCOURAGE CITIES TO HAVE THEIR LAW ENFORCEMENT BASED UPON THE
REVENUES THAT COME IN. BUT I DO THINK WE NEED TO BE SENSITIVE
TO THIS AND RECOGNIZE THAT THIS IS REAL AND THAT, IN PLANNING
REVENUES AND PLANNING THE LEVEL OF LAW ENFORCEMENT, INCLUDING
THE COUNTY, YOU KNOW, I KNOW WHENEVER WE CUT YOU, YOU HAVE--
YOU SCREAM BLOODY MURDER. AND WHENEVER WE CUT DEPUTIES,
EVERYONE GOES NUTS. IT DOESN'T DEPEND ON HOW MUCH MONEY WE
HAVE OR HOW MUCH WE LOSE. AND SO I DO THINK THAT-- I DON'T
THINK WE CAN SOLVE IT BY LEGISLATION OR BY THIS ORDINANCE
WE'RE PUTTING ON THE BALLOT BUT I DO THINK THAT WE HAVE TO
TAKE IT INTO CONSIDERATION AS YOU TALK ABOUT HOW YOU PLAN IN
TERMS OF INCREASES FROM THESE SALES TAX REVENUES.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ZEV, DID YOU HAVE SOME FOLLOW-UP
2 QUESTIONS.....

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE TWO-- NO, I JUST WANT TO THROW IN TWO
5 OTHER MOTIONS. ONE OF THEM IS, I THINK, PRETTY SIMPLE.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** [LAUGHS]

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FAMOUS LAST WORDS. I MOVE THAT THE ORDINANCE
10 BE AMENDED TO PROVIDE THAT NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER
11 PROVISION, PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY TAX ACT
12 REVENUES RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY OR CITY MAY NOT BE UTILIZED,
13 THAT IS THE SALES TAX FUNDS, CANNOT BE UTILIZED TO MEET THE
14 MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT REQUIREMENTS OF THE ACT. I DON'T THINK
15 THERE WILL BE ANY SUBSTANTIVE DISAGREEMENT WITH THAT BUT IT
16 WAS NOT IN THE ACT AND MY STAFF'S CIRCULATING THAT AND WE CAN
17 DISCUSS THAT. AND, LAST, I HAD A QUESTION. "CANNOT BE USED". I
18 MEAN, IT WOULD REALLY UNDERMINE WHAT SUPERVISOR KNABE AND THE
19 REST OF US, I THINK WANTED TO SEE, SOME REAL GROWTH. THE LAST
20 THING I WANTED TO ASK IS THIS: THERE IS A REFERENCE IN THE
21 MEASURE TO FIRST RESPONDERS AND ISSUES LIKE THAT, EMERGENCY
22 RESPONSE, FIRST RESPONDERS. WOULD OTHER FIRST RESPONDERS OTHER
23 THAN-- MAYBE THIS IS A QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNSEL OR THE
24 SHERIFF-- WELL, IT'S ACTUALLY A LEGAL QUESTION, BUT I'LL TAKE
25 EITHER ONE, WOULD OTHER FIRST RESPONDERS, WHETHER IT'S FOR



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1 COMMUNICATIONS OR FOR VEHICLES OR FOR WHATEVER, IN THE CONTEXT
2 OF HOMELAND SECURITY, BE IN A POSITION TO RECEIVE FUNDS FROM
3 ANY JURISDICTION, EITHER THE BOARD OR THE LOCAL CITY COUNCIL,
4 SAY A HAZMAT UNIT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT?

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6 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** IN MY OPINION, YES. I THINK THE OVERSIGHT
7 COMMITTEE, BY ADDING THE CHIEF OF THE FIRES ASSOCIATION, AND
8 WE DID THAT FOR A REASON, THAT THE HOMELAND SECURITY ELEMENT,
9 AND I'M GLAD YOU MENTIONED IT, IT SHOULD NOT BE LOST IN THIS,
10 AND THE NEED FOR THE PROPER EQUIPMENT ON SCENE, AS WE
11 WITNESSED BY WHAT HAPPENED TO THE WORLD TRADE CENTER, THE
12 PENTAGON, AND ACTUALLY IN THE FIELDS OF PENNSYLVANIA, EVERY
13 DISASTER OF ANY MAGNITUDE WILL INVOLVE, IN RESPONSE TO IT,
14 FIRE AND POLICE. AND SO THE INTEROPERABILITY PART HAS BEEN
15 PROVIDED FOR IN TERMS OF SOME FUNDING. AND I BELIEVE THAT
16 EQUIPMENT, WHETHER IT'S HAZMAT-RELATED, WHETHER IT'S CHEMICAL,
17 BIOLOGICAL SUITS OR EVEN TRAINING FOR FIRST RESPONDERS, THAT
18 ALL OF THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS ELIGIBLE FOR THIS TYPE OF
19 FUNDING.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I WOULD JUST ADD, I MEAN, BECAUSE,
22 OBVIOUSLY, I HAVE SOME GRAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THAT PARTICULAR
23 ISSUE. IT IS NOT CLEAR IN THE BODY OF THE DRAFT THAT WE DO
24 HAVE AND WHETHER THE REFERENCES TO PUBLIC SAFETY OR TO FIRST
25 RESPONDERS, I THINK AT LEAST FOR THAT-- FOR FIRE AND OTHERS TO



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1 HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE AT THE TABLE. I UNDERSTAND THE
2 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE BUT THE WEIGHT OF THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
3 IS WEIGHTED. BUT I THINK, YOU KNOW, PARTICULARLY AS IT
4 RELATES, IF YOU'RE OUT FRONT TRYING TO SELL THE PUBLIC ON SOME
5 HOMELAND SECURITY ISSUE, THE FIRST RESPONDERS HAVE TO BE A
6 PART OR AT LEAST HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE AT THE TABLE AND I
7 DON'T KNOW THAT THEY ARE HERE IN OUR PARTICULAR AGREEMENT
8 BECAUSE-- I KNOW YOU HAVE BEEN SOMEWHAT RESISTANT OF THAT AND
9 I UNDERSTAND THAT BUT, ON THE OTHER HAND, I THINK IT'S
10 IMPORTANT.

11

12 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, I'M NOT-- MR. CHAIR, I'M NOT
13 RESISTIVE. I DON'T THINK THAT WE SHOULD SPEND THIS MONEY ON
14 BUYING FIREFIGHTER POSITIONS. I THINK, AT THAT POINT, WE'RE
15 ASSUMING SOMETHING THAT WE SHOULDN'T ASSUME, AND WHAT THAT IS
16 IS BASICALLY THIS: WE, IN LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND I'M IN THE
17 MIDDLE OF ALL OF THIS WITH YOU AND THIS BOARD AND EVERY POLICE
18 CHIEF AND EVERY FIRE CHIEF, I AM THE MUTUAL AID COORDINATOR
19 FOR THIS COUNTY, AND WE PUT IN A LOT OF MONEY WITH THIS
20 EFFORT. WHAT WE BELIEVE IS THE BEST STRATEGY TO PROTECT LOS
21 ANGELES COUNTY IS TO PREVENT A TERRORIST ACT TO BEGIN WITH.
22 AND FIRST RESPONDERS ARE ESSENTIALLY AFTER THE FACT, MEANING
23 THE DAMAGE IS DONE, THE BODIES ARE DEAD, AND WE GO MOVE IN
24 THERE TO FIX THE PROBLEM, BUT THAT PROBLEM HAPPENED. THE KEY
25 IS THAT WAITING FOR THE DEATH, WAITING FOR THE DAMAGE IS WHAT



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1 "FIRST RESPONDER" MEANS. BUT WE'RE USING THIS PUBLIC SAFETY
2 STRATEGY IN TERMS OF STOPPING THE WHOLE THING FROM HAPPENING
3 IN THE FIRST PLACE. AND YOU GOT TO HAVE PLENTY OF RESOURCES
4 OUT THERE TO DO THAT WITH INCLUDING, IN OUR TERRORIST EARLY
5 WARNING GROUP PROGRAM. SO I ONLY ASK YOU, SUPERVISORS, TO NOT
6 WIDEN THIS TO BUY MORE FIREFIGHTERS. THAT WILL COME AT A
7 DIFFERENT PLACE AND A DIFFERENT TIME. THE CUTS, SUBSTANTIALLY,
8 HAVE BEEN IN PUBLIC SAFETY, AND I THINK THE DISTRICTING FOR
9 THE FIRE SYSTEM FUNDS IS WHAT IT IS, IN MAIN, FOR MOST OF THE
10 COUNTY. SO I'M OPEN AND I'VE BEEN MEETING WITH ALL THE FIRE
11 CHIEFS AND I'VE EVEN HEARD FROM THEM THAT THEY'RE NOT OPPOSING
12 THIS INITIATIVE. CERTAINLY, THEY'D LIKE AND NEED MORE MONEY
13 FOR OTHER THINGS THAT ARE ONGOING, BUT MAKE NO MISTAKE THAT
14 PUBLIC SAFETY IN TERMS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT IS WHAT WE'RE
15 TALKING ABOUT HERE AND SOME...

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANY QUESTION
18 THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT.

19

20 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** RIGHT. SO I JUST HOPE THAT YOU DON'T SEE
21 THAT THIS IS GOING TO ERODE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PUBLIC
22 SAFETY.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** PERHAPS MR. FORTNER COULD JUST ADDRESS THAT
25 QUESTION?



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RAY FORTNER: MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THE LANGUAGE OF THE ORDINANCE IS AIMED PRIMARILY AT LAW ENFORCEMENT, THAT'S VERY CLEAR, BUT THE USE OF THE TERMS SUCH AS FIRST RESPONDER AS A SORT OF TERM OF ART IN OUR SOCIETY TODAY GIVES ROOM IN THE ORDINANCE, I BELIEVE, IT'S YOUR BOARD-- IT WILL BE YOUR BOARD'S ORDINANCE, IF IT'S APPROVED BY THE VOTERS, THE LANGUAGE WOULD BE INTERPRETED BY YOU. IT DOES NOT SPECIFICALLY SAY "FIRE" BUT IT DOES SAY FIRST RESPONDERS AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE. IN MY VIEW, THAT LANGUAGE IS BROAD ENOUGH TO ENCOMPASS THOSE KINDS OF EFFORTS BY ENTITIES OTHER THAN PURELY LAW ENFORCEMENT, SUCH AS THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

13

SHERIFF LEE BACA: BUT I DON'T SEE FIRST RESPONDERS WAS IN THE LANGUAGE AT ALL. WE SAID HOMELAND SECURITY IN THE INITIAL MEASURE. I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANYTHING IN THERE THAT WE SAID REGARDING FIRST RESPONDERS. IT'S BEEN ADDED ON...

18

SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: NO, BUT IT'S BEEN ADDED IN THE CURRENT DRAFT. THAT'S BEEN ADDED IN THE CURRENT DRAFT.

21

SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: I AM NOT-- WHERE IS THAT?

23

RAY FORTNER: MR. CHAIRMAN, FOR EXAMPLE, ON PAGE 6, I BELIEVE IS THE DRAFT ATTACHED TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S

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1 MEMORANDUM. UNDER ITEM A-1, MANAGED COUNTY EMERGENCY DISASTER
2 OPERATIONS, INCLUDING COMMUNITY AWARENESS AND FIRST RESPONSE
3 CAPABILITIES TO EXTRAORDINARY EMERGENCIES. I BELIEVE THERE ARE
4 SOME OTHER REFERENCES.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ITEM NUMBER 5.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YOU BELIEVE THAT IS BROAD ENOUGH?

9

10 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I BELIEVE IT IS BROAD ENOUGH TO SUPPORT YOUR
11 BOARD'S DETERMINATION IF THIS ORDINANCE WERE ENACTED TO
12 INCLUDE THOSE ACTIVITIES.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LOOK AT ITEM 5 ON PAGE 7, MANAGE
15 EMERGENCY...

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YEAH, I SEE THAT.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. IT'S PRETTY BROAD. ALL RIGHT. I DON'T
20 HAVE ANYTHING ELSE, MR. CHAIRMAN.

21

22 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YES?

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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ON THE SECOND PROPOSED AMENDMENT,
2 NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION REVENUES RECEIVED BY THE
3 COUNTY OR CITY MAY NOT BE UTILIZED TO MEET THE MAINTENANCE OF
4 EFFORT REQUIREMENTS. IN LOOKING AT THIS, BACK TO THE GLENDORA
5 ISSUE AGAIN, ON PAGE 13 OF THE ORDINANCE, ITEM NUMBER 4, IT
6 DOES ALLOW CITIES OR THE COUNTY, IF A LOSS OR REDUCTION IN
7 LOCAL GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL RESOURCES OCCURS, AND I THINK
8 SUPERVISOR BURKE WAS GETTING AT THIS AS WELL, PROCEEDS FROM
9 THE ORDINANCE MAY BE USED TO ENSURE PUBLIC SAFETY. SO, IN A
10 FINANCIAL SITUATION, THE ORDINANCE CURRENTLY ALLOWS SOMEONE TO
11 CONTINUE FOR A PERIOD OF TIME TO USE-- NOT LOSE THOSE SALES
12 TAX REVENUES. WE SHOULD REMEMBER, AGAIN, THE WAY THIS OPERATES
13 IS YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT ADDITIONAL REVENUE. YOU DON'T HAVE TO
14 TAKE THE ADDITIONAL REVENUE, AND THERE ARE PROVISIONS IN HERE
15 IF YOU DON'T SPEND ENOUGH MONEY, YOU START LOSING IT DOLLAR
16 FOR DOLLAR AND EVENTUALLY YOU COULD LOSE IT ENTIRELY. BUT YOUR
17 NEW MOTION WOULD PROHIBIT SECTION 4, THE WAY I'M READING IT,
18 ANYWAY, FROM OPERATING. AND I THINK EVERYONE NEEDS AT LEAST
19 THE FLEXIBILITY OF NUMBER FOUR IN THE ORDINANCE. WE'RE BACK TO
20 SUPPLANTATION, WE'RE BACK TO THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT ISSUE
21 AGAIN AND MAKING SURE THAT WE RESOLVE THAT IN A WAY THAT'S
22 SATISFACTORY TO EVERYBODY AND THAT THERE IS NO SUPPLANTIZATION
23 ALLOWED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SOMETHING LIKE NUMBER 4 WHERE
24 YOU HAVE A FINANCIAL...

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T UNDERSTAND NUMBER 4. COULD YOU
2 EXPLAIN IT TO ME IN LAYMAN'S LANGUAGE?

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** UNDER THE-- UNDER THE ORDINANCE, UNDER THE
5 OTHER PROVISIONS OF THE ORDINANCE, IF A CITY GOES BELOW THE
6 MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT, LET'S SAY THEY CAN'T-- THEY DON'T HAVE
7 THE REVENUE TO CONTINUE FUNDING IT, THEN THEY'LL START LOSING
8 REVENUE FROM THE SALES TAX DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR. THIS SAYS THAT
9 IN A FINANCIAL-- IF YOU HAVE A FINANCIAL PROBLEM BEYOND YOUR
10 CONTROL, AND I THINK THE CITY OF GLENDORA IS TALKING ABOUT
11 THAT, YOU CAN CONTINUE TO RECEIVE AT LEAST PROCEEDS OF THOSE
12 TAXES TO HELP TO MAINTAIN PUBLIC SAFETY, AND YOU CAN'T REDUCE
13 IT BY A PERCENTAGE THAT'S GREATER THAN YOUR WHOLE LOSS, SO IT
14 KEEPS THEM IN THE SAME RATIO AS THE REST OF YOUR BUDGET. YOU
15 CAN'T GO IN AND WIPE THEM OUT. THIS IS, I THINK, A PRETTY GOOD
16 PROVISION, RIGHT, LEE?

17

18 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES, IT IS.

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THAT'S THE CONCERN I HAVE ABOUT. WE NEED TO
21 TAKE A HARDER LOOK AT THAT IS ALL.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME TALK TO ABOUT-- I DON'T UNDERSTAND
24 THAT WHILE THEY'RE TALKING. MAYBE YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO
25 POINT...



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I ALSO HAVE AN AMENDMENT THAT I'D LIKE

3 DRAWN INTO THE BODY OF THIS INITIATIVE. THE INTENT OF THIS

4 INITIATIVE IS TO MAINTAIN, IMPROVE OR EXPAND FUNDING FOR LAW

5 ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY. AS SUCH, THERE WOULD NOT BE

6 LANGUAGE IN THE APPROVING ORDINANCE THAT WOULD ALLOW FOR A

7 REDUCTION IN GENERAL FUND SUPPORT FOR PARTICIPATING AGENCIES,

8 ALTHOUGH THE FISCAL 2003/2004 LEVEL. IN ADDITION, SUPPLANTING

9 REVENUE OR ALLOWING FOR PROCEEDS FROM THIS INITIATIVE TO BE

10 USED UNDER CERTAIN FINANCIAL CIRCUMSTANCES TO MEET THE

11 MAINTENANCE OF EFFORTS OR BASE YEAR '03/'04 FUNDING LEVELS

12 SHOULD NOT BE A PART OF THE LANGUAGE. SO I WOULD MOVE THAT, ON

13 PAGE 2, THE FIRST PARAGRAPH OF THE ORDINANCE BE CHANGED TO

14 READ, "FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE ADOPTED BUDGET FOR

15 THE 2003/2004 FISCAL YEAR MAY BE ADJUSTED ONLY UPON A TWO-

16 THIRDS VOTE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNING BODY TO REFLECT REDUCED

17 EXPENDITURES NECESSITATED BY REDUCTIONS IN STATE OR FEDERAL

18 ASSISTANCE OR REDUCTIONS IN ANY OTHER REVENUE SOURCE BEYOND

19 THE CONTROL OF THAT LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITY." AND, TWO, THAT,

20 ON PAGE 2, PARAGRAPH D BE CHANGED TO READ, "IF A LOSS OR

21 REDUCTION IN LOCAL GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL RESOURCES OCCURS,

22 PROCEEDS FROM THIS ORDINANCE MAY BE USED TO ENSURE PUBLIC

23 SAFETY FUNDING IS NOT REDUCED BELOW THE ADOPTED BUDGET

24 2003/2004 FISCAL YEAR, ONLY IF LOCAL FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO

25 PUBLIC SAFETY ARE NOT REDUCED MORE, THEN THE TOTAL PERCENT OF



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1 THE LOSS OR REDUCTION WITHIN THE AFFECTED YEAR AND ONLY UPON A
2 TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNING BODY." AND THEN WOULD
3 FURTHER MOVE THAT, THROUGHOUT THE BODY OF THE ORDINANCE, AS IT
4 RELATES TO THE LANGUAGE NOTED ABOVE, BE CHANGED TO REFLECT THE
5 ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE REGARDING THE TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF GOVERNING
6 BODIES TO EFFECTUATE THE SUPPLYING THE REVENUE. MY
7 UNDERSTANDING, AGAIN, THAT THIS WOULD ONLY APPLY TO US AS A
8 GOVERNING BOARD AND NOT TO THE CITIES. THAT IS CORRECT? I
9 THINK THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER MENTIONED THAT.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** DON, CAN YOU EXPLAIN WHAT YOURS DOES CLEARER THAN
12 WHAT THIS IS. IT'S DEALING WITH THE M.O.U. AGAIN.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, BASICALLY REQUIRING A FOUR-FIFTHS
15 VOTE OF THIS BOARD AS AN EXAMPLE FOR THIS BOARD. WE HAD TO USE
16 TWO-THIRDS BECAUSE SOME CITY COUNCILS ARE LARGER THAN FIVE
17 AND, BASICALLY, NOT ALLOWING FOR THE REDUCTION IN THE LEVEL OR
18 SUPPLANTING THE FUNDS. JUST TIGHTENING DOWN THE ISSUES OF
19 SUPPLANTING THE FUNDS, THE GENERAL FUNDS.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** CHANGING THE TWO-THIRDS PART?

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** RIGHT. WELL, YOU SEE-- BASICALLY, THE ONLY
24 CHANGE, IF YOU LOOK, IS THE HEAVY, BOLD PORTION OF THE TWO-
25 THIRDS VOTE. SO I'M NOT SURE. MR. JANSSEN?



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHAT WAS IT BEFORE? THREE-FIFTHS, I HEARD? WHAT?
3 WHAT WAS THIS NUMBER BEFORE?

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THERE WAS NOTHING.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NOTHING.

8

9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THERE WAS NO PROVISION...

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** OH, IT WAS NOTHING. SO NOW YOU'RE PUTTING...

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** RIGHT. CHANGING IT TO FOUR-FIFTHS VOTE.

14

15 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT IS, IN FACT, I BELIEVE, ADDRESSING,
16 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOUR CONCERN IN THE SECOND ITEM ABOUT
17 THE USE OF THE MONEY. SECTION FOUR COULD BE USED TO REDUCE BUT
18 IT'S ON A TWO-THIRDS VOTE. THAT'S WHAT HE'S PROPOSING TO ADD
19 TO THE DISCUSSION.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO WAS IT-- GO AHEAD.

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I MEAN, IT'S SIMILAR TO WHAT WE'RE TALKING TO
24 THE LEGISLATURE ABOUT RIGHT NOW IN TERMS OF THE USE OF THE



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1 MONEY IS, OKAY, WHAT IS GOING TO BE THE REQUIRED VOTE BEFORE
2 YOU CAN MAKE REDUCTIONS?

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO, I DON'T KNOW IF ANY-- ANYONE ELSE HAS
5 ANY OTHER-- WAS IT YOUR INTENT, THEN, MR. JANSSEN...

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** UNDER THE ORIGINAL PROPOSAL, WE WERE KEEPING, IT
8 WAS AN M.O.U., AND WE HAD THAT NUMBER, IT WAS BASED ON A YEAR,
9 RIGHT?

10

11 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THAT'S CORRECT. INFLATED EACH YEAR. THIS--
12 SECTION 4, AS IT'S CURRENTLY WRITTEN, WOULD ALLOW COUNCIL, BY
13 A MAJORITY VOTE, I PRESUME, TO MAKE REDUCTIONS IN PUBLIC
14 SAFETY BY CERTAIN PERCENTAGES WITHOUT LOSING REVENUE. THE
15 MOTION IS THAT THAT, RATHER THAN A MAJORITY VOTE, BE A TWO-
16 THIRDS VOTE. THEY STILL CAN GO AHEAD AND DO IT UNDER THE RIGHT
17 CIRCUMSTANCES, BUT IT TAKES A TWO-THIRDS VOTE. IS THAT WHAT
18 YOU'RE RECOMMENDING?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** EXACTLY. I MEAN, IT ADDRESSES MY CONCERN AS
21 IT RELATES TO PROP 172, YOU KNOW, THAT POLICY, BASICALLY, A
22 POLICY DECISION THAT, UP TO NOW, HAS BEEN A MAJORITY. AND I
23 THINK-- IS IT YOUR INTENT, THEN, MR. JANSSEN, TO INCORPORATE
24 ALL THIS INTO SOME FINAL DOCUMENT AND BRING IT BACK NEXT WEEK?

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** MY ONLY CONCERN-- I'M NOT SURE IF WHETHER THE
2 MINORITY WOULD BE RULING ON SOMETHING THAT THERE ISN'T MONEY
3 FOR. THAT'S WHAT-- I'M JUST NOT-- I MEAN, THAT'S BASICALLY
4 WHAT THIS SAYS, DOESN'T IT?

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL...

7

8 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT MAKES IT MORE DIFFICULT.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** IT MAKES IT MORE DIFFICULT. AS AN EXAMPLE
11 OF PROP 172, THERE ARE THOSE OF US ON THIS BOARD THAT BELIEVE,
12 WHEN THE VOTERS WERE ASKED TO APPROVE PROPOSITION 172 ON
13 BEHALF OF PUBLIC SAFETY WAS TO BE AN ENHANCEMENT, NOT TO BE
14 SOMETHING WHERE THE-- BY POLICY AND A SIMPLE MAJORITY, THAT
15 THE C.A.O. OR CITY MANAGER, ANYONE COULD RECOMMEND THAT
16 WHATEVER THE SHERIFF GOT IN 172-- IF YOU LOOK AT THE TOTAL
17 DOLLARS POTENTIALLY BEING RAISED, IT JUST SO HAPPENS TO MATCH
18 UP TO YOUR PROP 172 ALLOCATION, THAT YOU CAN'T TAKE OUT THE
19 BACK END, THE GENERAL FUND DOLLARS. AND SO, INSTEAD OF BEING
20 AN ENHANCEMENT, YOU JUST AT LEVEL OR REDUCED AND THAT'S WHAT
21 I'M TRYING...

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT THAT WAS ORIGINALLY TAKEN CARE OF BY CREATING
24 THAT BASELINE, AS I UNDERSTAND, OF THE 2003/2004 BUDGET.
25 THAT'S WHY WE'RE HONORING THAT BASELINE.



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2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND I WOULD SECOND THAT, SUPERVISOR MOLINA.
3 YOU ARE CREATING A NEW, HIGHER BASELINE FOR PROP 172 THAT HAS
4 NEVER EXISTED IN THIS STATE BY THIS ORDINANCE. WITHOUT THE
5 VOTE PROVISION. THAT'S THE WAY I UNDERSTAND THIS TO WORK.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT WAS THE BASELINE AND THAT WAS GOING TO BE
8 HONORED. SO NOW YOU'RE CREATING SOMETHING DIFFERENT...

9

10 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, MORE-- NOT DIFFERENT BUT...

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, YOU'RE JUST MAKING IT MORE DIFFICULT.

13

14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** MORE COMPLICATED-- NOT COMPLICATED. MORE
15 DIFFICULT TO GO AFTER THAT MONEY IN THE EVENT OF A FINANCIAL
16 PROBLEM.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** DON'T WE WANT TO STAY WITH THAT BASELINE AT THIS
19 POINT IN TIME?

20

21 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** MAY I COMMENT ON THE FRIDAY MEETING? ALL THE
22 CHANGES WERE BROUGHT TOGETHER BY EACH BOARD MEMBER IN A
23 PRESENTATION BY THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE, AND ALL THE CITY
24 OFFICIALS WERE THERE, ALONG WITH POLICE CHIEFS AND THE LIKE,
25 BUT I WAS MOST CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT THE CITY OFFICIALS WERE



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1 THINKING. WHAT I THINK THE M.O.E. WAS ASKED TO DO IS TO ENSURE
2 THAT, IF THE ECONOMY RISES AND GENERAL REVENUE RISES, THAT THE
3 PROPORTIONALITY OF THE RISE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT NOT BE ERODED
4 BECAUSE OF THE NEW DOLLARS THAT WILL COME OUT OF THIS NEW HALF
5 CENT IF IT-- TO BE PASSED. I THINK THAT'S ALL MR. KNABE IS
6 ASKING FOR, AND IT WASN'T DESCRIBED IN THE INITIATIVE THAT
7 WAY. AND SO, IN ORDER TO KEEP THE COALITION OF THIS BOARD OF
8 SUPERVISORS TOGETHER, WE ARE INPUTTING, TO THE ORDINANCE,
9 THINGS THAT ARE OF CONCERN TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU, AND
10 THE TESTIMONY HERE THAT YOU'VE HEARD FROM THE CITY AND OTHERS
11 ARE INCLUSIVE OF THIS. I DON'T THINK IT'S ASKING THE BOARD TO
12 RELINQUISH MORE MONEY TO LAW ENFORCEMENT. IT'S ONLY ASKING THE
13 BOARD TO SAY IF YOUR REVENUE SOURCES GROW, THE PROPORTIONALITY
14 THAT YOU ORDINARILY WOULD USE FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
15 SHOULD CONTINUE, IN ADDITION TO THIS HALF CENT. AND, THUS,
16 THERE'S NO EROSION OF THE EFFECT OF THE HALF CENT OVER TIME,
17 WHICH COULD HAPPEN IF WE JUST, AS A BOARD, DECIDED TO USE IT
18 PURELY AS OUR GAIN FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT FROM THIS POINT ON.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I'M TRYING TO DEAL WITH AN INTERNAL ISSUE
21 AS IT RELATES AT LEAST TO OUR VOTING BODY OF A CONCERN THAT I
22 HAVE. I'M NOT TRYING TO MAKE IT SO DIFFICULT THAT-- IN OTHER
23 WORDS, I THINK, FROM AT LEAST MY PERSPECTIVE, BEFORE I'M
24 WILLING TO, YOU KNOW, PUT ANYTHING ON THE BALLOT, ONE, THAT I
25 HAVE TO FEEL COMFORTABLE THAT IT'S AS TIGHT AS POSSIBLE. TWO,



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1 YOU KNOW, WHATEVER FINAL DOCUMENT WE COME UP WITH, TO AT LEAST
2 ALLOW THE CITY OF L.A., CONTRACT CITIES, INDEPENDENT CITIES
3 SOME OPPORTUNITY TO VIEW IT, BECAUSE I DON'T-- ON THE OTHER
4 HAND, I'M NOT TRYING TO DO SOMETHING THAT IF YOU ALL PUT IT
5 ALL ON THE BALLOT, THAT IT'S ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO PASS, BUT I
6 THINK THE TAXPAYERS, IF YOU'RE GOING TO GO OUT FRONT, AT LEAST
7 DESERVE SOME SORT OF PROTECTION. AND THAT, YOU KNOW, YOU'RE
8 NOT USING IT FOR, YOU KNOW, INCREASED SALARY OR HIGHER
9 PENSIONS. YOU'RE DOING AS MUCH PREVENTIVE AS YOU CAN. I MEAN,
10 OBVIOUSLY, THE SALARY AND PENSIONS, AS IT RELATES TO NEW
11 OFFICERS, YOU KNOW, IS INCLUDED. I MEAN, THAT'S-- BUT-- MR.
12 ANTONOVICH?

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, TO REGRESS, GOING BACK FROM A PREVIOUS
15 CONVERSATION RELATIVE TO THE MOTION THAT I HAD INTRODUCED,
16 THERE IS MONEY AVAILABLE CURRENTLY IN THE COUNTY'S BUDGET TO
17 MEET THE SHERIFF'S NEEDS. THERE'S BEEN A POLICY DECISION TO
18 TAKE GENERAL FUND MONIES AND SUPPLEMENT THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT.
19 WE HAVE ABOUT \$250 MILLION IN TOBACCO FUNDS THAT COULD BE USED
20 FOR THAT HEALTH DEPARTMENT, FREEING UP THE GENERAL FUND MONEY
21 FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ALONG WITH OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY
22 AGENCIES; TALKING ABOUT PROBATION, DISTRICT ATTORNEY, THE
23 PUBLIC DEFENDER, THE ULTIMATE DEFENSE COUNCIL. SO YOU HAVE A
24 SITUATION WHERE THIS BOARD HAS THE ABILITY TO GIVE THE SHERIFF
25 AND THE MEN AND WOMEN IN THAT DEPARTMENT THE NEEDS-- THE



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1 RESOURCES TO MEET THEIR NEEDS NOW WITHOUT GOING THROUGH THIS
2 BALLOT PROPOSITION. BUT, SAYING THAT, YOU SHOULD ALSO POINT
3 OUT THAT, IF WE LOOK AT THE TAX THAT WE'RE ASKING RIGHT NOW IS
4 LIKE A TRIPLING OF THE TAX, BECAUSE TAXPAYERS ALREADY PAY THE
5 BASE TAX, WHICH HELPS PUBLIC SAFETY. THEY'RE ALREADY PAYING A
6 HALF CENT ON PROPOSITION 172, WHICH IS TO SUPPORT PUBLIC
7 SAFETY, AND, AS SUPERVISOR KNABE WAS RELATING TO, NOW THEY'RE
8 ASKING FOR ANOTHER HALF CENT TO GO INTO PUBLIC SAFETY. AND
9 WHAT YOU HAVE IS A SITUATION WHERE THE DOLLARS THAT ARE BEING
10 GENERATED NOW ARE NOT NECESSARILY GOING EXCLUSIVELY INTO
11 PUBLIC SAFETY, AND THOSE ARE DECISIONS THAT ARE MADE BY THOSE
12 POLICY BOARDS. BE THAT AS IT MAY, A ONE QUARTER CENT TAX IS A
13 STRETCH FOR TAXPAYERS BUT AT LEAST IT'S A COMPROMISE WITHOUT
14 ROBBING THE TAXPAYERS COMPLETELY. THE QUARTER CENT TAX
15 INCREASE WOULD PREVENT THE COUNTY SALES TAX RATE TO KEEP FROM
16 JUMPING TO 8.75%, WHICH WOULD MAKE IT THE HIGHEST IN THE
17 STATE. THE NEXT AND ONLY HIGHEST RATE IS SAN FRANCISCO, WHICH
18 IS 8.5%. OTHER LARGE COUNTIES ARE 7.75% AND THE MAJORITY OF
19 THE COUNTIES ARE 7.25%. THE QUESTION THAT I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE
20 TO MR. JANSSEN, UNDER THE PROPOSAL THAT'S BEFORE US OF
21 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S, THE BOARD COULD SUSPEND THE TAX
22 FOLLOWING THE FISCAL YEAR 2015/2016. WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING AT IS
23 REALLY A 13 YEAR EXTENSION OF THIS PROPOSAL AND, IF YOU WANT A
24 SUNSET CLAUSE, THEN YOU OUGHT TO BE LOOKING AT A FIVE YEAR
25 SUNSET CLAUSE. BECAUSE, THE WAY THIS IS WRITTEN, IT SAYS THAT



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1 YOU CAN'T MAKE ANY REDUCTIONS UNTIL AFTER THREE YEARS. SO IF
2 YOU HAVE A 10 YEAR SUNSET CLAUSE, YOU'RE REALLY LOOKING AT 13
3 YEARS BEFORE YOU COULD CEASE THE SALES TAX. THE REASON THAT A
4 FIVE YEAR OR SIX YEAR SUNSET CLAUSE MAKES SENSE IS THE FACT
5 THAT LOCAL GOVERNMENT HAS ADDITIONAL REVENUES THAT WILL BE
6 FORTHCOMING WHEN THE NEW BUDGET IS ADOPTED BY THE STATE OR
7 PROPOSITION 65 IS ADOPTED IN NOVEMBER BY THE VOTERS OF
8 CALIFORNIA, WHERE WE HAVE A PROPOSITION ON THE BALLOT, PLACED
9 BY THE CITIES AND COUNTIES, WHICH WOULD GIVE THE CITIES AND
10 COUNTIES A STABLE SOURCE OF REVENUES WHICH WOULD HELP AND
11 ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY. SO YOU'RE HAVING MORE DOLLARS COMING IN
12 IN THREE YEARS THAN YOU ARE CURRENTLY BECAUSE OF THOSE
13 REFORMS. TO KEEP THE ORIGINAL, YOU KNOW, SUSPENSION, IT WOULD
14 SEEM TO ME THAT, YOU KNOW, WE NEED TO REDUCE THE SUNSET
15 CLAUSE. ON PAGE TWO OF PARAGRAPH D, SUPPLEMENTING LANGUAGE,
16 "TO PREVENT WHAT OCCURRED UNDER PROP 72, COUNTY COUNSEL SHOULD
17 BE DIRECTED TO AMEND THAT LANGUAGE AS BEING DISCUSSED
18 APPROPRIATELY". AND, ON PAGE 4, PARAGRAPH A IS THE DEFINITION
19 OF "COUNTY," WHICH DEFINES COUNTY AS THE IN-INCORPORATED AND
20 UNINCORPORATED TERRITORY OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THERE
21 SHOULD BE A DEFINITION FOR "COUNTY UNINCORPORATED" SO THAT
22 THERE IS A CLEAR DISTINCTION TO AVOID USING THE WORD
23 INTERCHANGEABLY AND WE DISCUSSED THAT WITH THE C.E.O. THIS
24 PAST MONDAY. ON PAGE 9, PARAGRAPH E ON THE MINIMUM ALLOCATION
25 REQUIREMENT, IT FAILS TO INCLUDE THE REQUIREMENT THAT, TO



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1 QUALIFY FOR THE \$500,000 MINIMUM ALLOCATION, THE REQUIREMENT
2 IS THAT THEIR BUDGET FOR PUBLIC SAFETY MUST EXCEED THE MINIMUM
3 ALLOCATION. WELL, THERE ARE FOUR CITIES THAT WE HAVE WHICH
4 INCLUDE BRADBURY, INCLUDES HIDDEN HILLS, LA HABRA HEIGHTS AND
5 ROLLING HILLS WHERE THIS WOULD NOT APPLY. SO THAT HAS TO BE
6 ADDRESSED.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I JUST INTERJECT? I THINK ON THAT ONE,
9 ISN'T THERE ANOTHER PROVISION IN HERE THAT SAYS NOBODY CAN GET
10 MORE MONEY THAN THEIR PUBLIC SAFETY BUDGET? THAT WOULD INCLUDE
11 THE 500,000, WOULD IT NOT?

12

13 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES, IT DOES. SMALL CITIES SUCH AS THOSE
14 CITIES, IF I MAY, ARE NOT ENTITLED TO EVEN A BASE MINIMUM OF
15 500,000.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. LET'S JUST BE SURE BECAUSE THAT'S
18 A GOOD POINT. LET'S BE SURE THAT'S CLARIFIED.

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT NEEDS TO BE CLARIFIED.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'M JUST TALKING ABOUT PROBLEMS THAT ARE IN
23 THE EXISTING PROPOSAL RIGHT NOW AND WHY IT HAS TO BE AMENDED,
24 IF THAT WAS THE WILL. THE ISSUE ON WORDING AND PHRASES LACKING
25 CONSISTENCY HAVE A CREATION OF CONFUSION. ON PAGE 13,



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1 PARAGRAPH 4, YOU USE "LOCAL GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL
2 RESOURCES", THAT'S THE QUOTE, AND "LOCAL FINANCIAL RESOURCES",
3 ANOTHER QUOTE, THAT MEAN THE SAME THING. SO THEY INTRODUCE THE
4 CONCEPT OF NONPARTICIPATING AGENCIES, WHICH IS NOT DEFINED
5 ANYWHERE IN THE DOCUMENT. THAT HAS TO BE CORRECTED. SO THOSE
6 PHASES AND TERMS SHOULD BE CONSISTENT THROUGHOUT THE DOCUMENT.
7 ON THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, YOU HAVE NINE PEOPLE. YOU HAVE
8 REPRESENTATION FROM THE LEAGUE OF CITIES, THE CONTRACT CITIES,
9 THE INDEPENDENT CITIES, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THE
10 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LOS ANGELES AREA FIRE CHIEFS
11 ASSOCIATION, BUT THEN YOU ADD TWO LARGE CITIES,
12 REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE CITY OF
13 LONG BEACH. WELL, THEY ARE ALREADY REPRESENTED UNDER EITHER
14 THE LEAGUE OF CITIES, THE CONTRACT CITIES, OR THE INDEPENDENT
15 CITIES. WHY DON'T YOU INCREASE, IF YOU'RE GOING TO DO THAT,
16 THE INDEPENDENT CITIES AND CONTRACT CITIES BECAUSE IT'S THOSE
17 CITIES THAT ARE ALWAYS LOSING THEIR REVENUES BECAUSE THE
18 BIGGER CITIES END UP SUCKING UP THAT OXYGEN AND THAT'S ONE OF
19 THE PROBLEMS THAT WE'VE HAD. WE NEED GREATER REPRESENTATION
20 FOR THOSE DEPARTMENTS. MY SUGGESTION WOULD BE THAT WE OUGHT TO
21 ELIMINATE THE APPOINTEE OF THE MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES AND THE
22 CITY OF LONG BEACH BECAUSE THEY'RE ALREADY REPRESENTED IN THAT
23 BODY. BUT THOSE ARE JUST SOME OF THE SUGGESTIONS ON THE
24 OVERSIGHT THAT I HAVE A PROBLEM WITH AS WELL. BUT, GOING BACK
25 TO THE ORIGINAL, THERE ARE DOLLARS AVAILABLE IF SOME OF THE



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1 MUNICIPALITIES. THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, I KNOW IF THEY WOULD
2 SUNSET THEIR ABILITY TO PROVIDE RUBBISH COLLECTION, THEY COULD
3 GRANDFATHER IN THE CURRENT EMPLOYEES THERE, BUT FORMER
4 COUNCILMAN ARNARDY BERNARDY DID A STUDY AND THERE WAS A
5 SUBSEQUENT STUDY THAT CAME OUT A COUPLE YEARS AGO THAT THE
6 MONIES THAT WERE SAVED IN RUBBISH COLLECTION COULD GIVE THE
7 L.A. POLICE DEPARTMENT THE NECESSARY MANPOWER THAT THEY NEED
8 AND THE CITY WOULD BE OPERATING A RUBBISH COLLECTION SIMILAR
9 THAT-- WHICH THE COUNTY OPERATES AND MOST OF OUR MUNICIPALITY
10 WITHIN THE COUNTY DO GENERATING THOSE SAVINGS TO MEET THE
11 PUBLIC SAFETY NEEDS OF THEIR COMMUNITY. BUT THE COUNTY, WE DO
12 HAVE RESOURCES AVAILABLE, WE COULD DIVERT THEM INTO THE
13 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WITH THREE VOTES, AND THAT WOULD HELP THE
14 SHERIFF BEHOLD AND PROVIDE THOSE NECESSARY STREET PATROLS,
15 JAIL CUSTODY, DISTRICT ATTORNEY, AND PUBLIC DEFENDER AND
16 PROBATION WITH THEIR RESOURCES.

17
18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO IS THERE A CONSENSUS, THEN, THAT
19 WE PUT ALL THAT LANGUAGE TOGETHER, HAVE MR. JANSSEN REFINE
20 THOSE PARTICULAR AREAS, TALK TO THE VARIOUS ENTITIES LIKE
21 CONTRACT CITIES, INDEPENDENT CITIES, CITY OF L.A., THEN COME
22 BACK WITH A FINAL DOCUMENT FOR A VOTE NEXT TUESDAY?

23
24 **SUP. BURKE:** DID WE VOTE ON ALL THESE AMENDMENTS? DID WE
25 APPROVE ALL THEM?



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2 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** MR. CHAIRMAN...

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, I THINK, I THINK-- NO, WE DIDN'T
5 BECAUSE, UNTIL WE SEE THE FINAL-- HOW IT FITS IN WITH THE
6 WHOLE THING, I DON'T KNOW THAT YOU-- ZEV, DID YOU WANT YOUR--
7 I MEAN, YOU'RE WILLING TO HAVE YOURS DRAFTED AS PART OF THE
8 FINAL DOCUMENT OR DO YOU WANT TO VOTE ON EACH OF YOUR
9 AMENDMENTS?

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T CARE. I JUST WANTED TO GET SOME--
12 GIVE THE STAFF SOME DIRECTION SO THAT WE DON'T HAVE THIS
13 DISCUSSION AGAIN NEXT WEEK.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT MY-- SOME OF
16 THE-- I'M NOT CLEAR THAT HIS MOTION DOESN'T DO THE SAME-- YOU
17 KNOW, THAT WE'RE NOT DUPLICATING.

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YEAH, YOU-- I THINK YOU TWO ARE ON THAT SECOND
20 MOTION. DEALING WITH THE SAME PROVISION.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I THINK WE ARE, TOO.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THAT ON THE SALES TAX BEING USED?

25



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1 C.A.O. JANSSEN: RIGHT.

2

3 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: OKAY. I HAVE A MODIFICATION-- I WANT TO
4 WITHDRAW THAT BECAUSE I THINK YOU HAVE WORKED IT OUT WITH MY
5 STAFF AND I'LL TRUST YOU AND MY STAFF AGAINST MY BETTER
6 JUDGMENT. MY STAFF, I ALWAYS TRUST. IT'S YOU THAT I HAVE A
7 PROBLEM WITH, JANSSEN. [LIGHT LAUGHTER]

8

9 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THAT'S WE WANT TO SEE THE FINAL DOCUMENT. [
10 LAUGHTER]

11

12 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ME, TOO, BUT WE DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO DRAFT IT
13 UP BECAUSE IT SOUNDED LIKE WE'RE WRAPPING IT UP, SO LET ME
14 JUST READ IT AND WE'LL TYPE IT UP SO THAT YOU HAVE IT. I MOVE
15 THAT SECTION 2-D AND SECTION 4.69.050 C-4 BE AMENDED TO ADD
16 THE FOLLOWING: "EXCEPT AS DELINEATED ABOVE," AND THEN THE REST
17 OF IT WOULD READ THE SAME WAY. AND THAT ADDRESSES...

18

19 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: AND I WANT TO KNOW THE INTERPRETATION OF
20 THAT COMMA, JUST HOW IMPORTANT THAT COMMA IS. [LIGHT LAUGHTER
21]

22

23 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I WILL SEND YOU AN INTERPRETATION, MR.
24 CHAIRMAN. DO YOU WANT IT IN WRITING OR BY GESTURE? [LIGHT
25 LAUGHTER]



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. DO YOU-- YVONNE, DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING
3 TO ADD AS FAR AS AMENDMENTS?

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, IT'S-- NO, NO. I JUST WANTED TO UNDERSTAND
6 THAT WE'LL GET AN EXPLANATION OF THAT.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA? AND I THINK, TOO, THAT
9 IF WE CAN-- AS THE DOCUMENT COMES TOGETHER, THAT, YOU KNOW,
10 THAT THE CHANGES THAT ARE BEING RECOMMENDED ARE IN BOLD, SO
11 THAT WE DEFINITELY KNOW WHAT WAS CHANGED AND WHAT WASN'T.

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WHAT WAS CHANGED AND WHAT WAS NOT. COULD I ASK
14 YOU, ON...

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BEFORE YOU DO, I HAD ONE MORE AMENDMENT.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** [LAUGHTER]

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THIS IS IN YOUR HONOR.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YEAH, RIGHT! I FEEL MY HONOR.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THERE WAS SOME LANGUAGE ABOUT THE OVERSIGHT
25 COMMITTEE THAT WAS-- THAT USED THE WORD "ENSURE" AND I THINK



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1 IT-- THIS CREATES AN AMBIGUITY OF POTENTIAL PROBLEM, SO I
2 WANTED TO READ THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT. I MOVE THAT SECTION
3 4.69.090 ON PAGE 16 OF THE DRAFT, FIRST FULL SENTENCE BE
4 AMENDED TO READ, "THE ROLE OF THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE SHALL BE
5 TO REVIEW THE ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER
6 STATING THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THIS LEVY,"
7 AND THEN WE ADDED THE FOLLOWING, "TO REVIEW THE DISTRIBUTION
8 OF FUNDS PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF THE ORDINANCE AND TO REPORT
9 THEREON ANNUALLY TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS." NO ENFORCEMENT
10 CAPACITY FOR THAT BOARD BUT IT'S A REPORTING CAPACITY. THAT'S
11 WHAT I WANTED...

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** LIKE WE DID WITH MEASURE E IN...

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CORRECT. SO WE'VE DONE IT WITH A NUMBER OF
16 OTHER-- THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** YOU'VE MADE NO CHANGES AS FAR AS THAT MOTION THAT
19 WOULD SAY NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISIONS, IT CANNOT BE
20 UTILIZED TO MEET THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT. YOU LEAVING THAT?

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M LEAVING THAT IN BUT IT STARTS OFF BY
23 SAYING, "EXCEPT AS DELINEATED ABOVE".

24

25 **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. AND ABOVE. OKAY. THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT.



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2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I THINK THAT SHOULD WORK.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO I THINK IT SOLVES THE PROBLEM, AT LEAST
5 THAT'S WHAT JANSSEN SAYS.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT.

8

9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ON THE COMPOSITION OF THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE,
10 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAD A COUPLE OF PROPOSED CHANGES. THAT'S
11 NOT GOING TO BE EASY TO RESOLVE.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT-- I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND...

14

15 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** HE SUGGESTED THE MAYOR'S APPOINTEE AND THE
16 LONG BEACH REPRESENTATIVE BE TAKEN OUT BECAUSE THEY'RE ALREADY
17 REPRESENTED BY THE INDEPENDENT CITIES ASSOCIATION.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT. AND INDEPENDENT CITIES AND THE LEAGUE
20 OF CITIES.

21

22 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND THE LEAGUE OF CITIES.

23

24 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** MAY I COMMENT ON THAT? MY ANSWER TO MR.
25 ANTONOVICH'S CONCERN WOULD BE TO ADD TWO MORE PEOPLE ON AND



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1 MAKE IT 11. I MEAN, THE ISSUE IS INCLUSIVENESS. BEAR IN MIND,
2 WE HAVE TO GO OUT TO THE PUBLIC IF YOU CHOOSE TO PUT THIS ON
3 THE BALLOT AND SHOW THAT THIS OVERSIGHT PROCESS IS MORE
4 EXPANDED RATHER THAN LESS EXPANDED. AND I BELIEVE THAT THESE
5 INDIVIDUALS ARE ADDED IN THERE BECAUSE OF REQUESTS, AND I KNOW
6 THAT EACH CITY, YOU KNOW, THE BRAVERY OF THE ELECTED OFFICIALS
7 IN THIS INITIATIVE IS PHENOMENAL. I MEAN, YOU KNOW, EVERYONE
8 THAT'S INVOLVED IN THIS, INCLUDING MYSELF, HAS TAKEN SOME
9 ABUSE FROM THOSE WHO DON'T WANT TO SEE THE REALITY OF PUBLIC
10 SAFETY. AND SO WHAT I'M TRYING TO DO IS KEEP US ALL TOGETHER
11 WITH THIS INITIATIVE POLITICALLY AS WELL AS FUNCTIONALLY. AND
12 SO I'D ASK THAT, IF MR. ANTONOVICH WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE
13 REPRESENTATION FROM THE INDEPENDENT CITIES, WE CAN MAKE THAT
14 HAPPEN. IT'S IN OUR BEST INTEREST TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN. TO TAKE
15 SOME OUT BECAUSE SOMEONE SAYS THEY'RE ALREADY REPRESENTED BY
16 SOMEONE ELSE, I THINK THAT THOSE REQUESTS WERE MADE, THEY'RE
17 REASONABLE. LONG BEACH WAS THE FIRST CITY THAT JUMPED ON BOARD
18 AND RISKED ITS ENTIRE POLITICAL SECURITY FOR THIS. I DON'T
19 THINK THAT'S UNREASONABLE. THE OTHER ONE, THAT WAS JUST A
20 FIREFIGHTER ASSOCIATION, YOU KNOW, AND THEY DESERVE TO BE ON
21 HERE. THOSE ARE THE ONLY TWO THAT WE ADDED IN. SO I JUST ASK
22 THAT, IF THERE'S OTHER INDEPENDENT CITIES THAT NEED TO BE A
23 PART OF THIS, I SAY PUT THEM IN. PERHAPS TWO MORE. SO IF
24 SOMEONE CAN MOTION THAT, I'D BE...

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO WE LOOK AT THE OPTION OF
2 POTENTIALLY TWO ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OR REDUCTIONS TO WHATEVER
3 WE COME UP WITH BUT THAT WILL BE ALL PART OF IT. OKAY. AND
4 THEN THE OTHER THING I JUST WANT FROM COUNSEL, I WANT TO MAKE
5 SURE THAT, WITHIN THE CONFINES OF THAT FIRST RESPONSE, IT
6 DOESN'T SAY FIRST RESPONDER, BUT IT SAYS FIRST RESPONSE, THAT,
7 IN THE EVENT, PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES TO HOMELAND SECURITY,
8 THAT AT LEAST THE FIRE FOLKS ARE GOING TO BE AT THE TABLE FOR
9 SOME OPPORTUNITY. AND, YOU KNOW, I JUST NEED, YOU KNOW, SOME
10 WRITTEN OPINION TO THAT EFFECT SO THAT THAT DOESN'T COME UP A
11 YEAR FROM NOW OR TWO YEARS FROM NOW AND, YOU KNOW, I DON'T
12 KNOW HOW YOU DEAL WITH THAT, BUT JUST THE FLEXIBILITY. I
13 UNDERSTAND ABOUT ISOLATING, I UNDERSTAND ABOUT NAMING AMOUNTS,
14 BUT AT LEAST AS IT RELATES TO FIRST RESPONDERS AND HOMELAND
15 SECURITY, I MEAN, OBVIOUSLY, THE ULTIMATE GOAL IS TO PREVENT
16 EVERYTHING, BUT IF SOMETHING DOES HAPPEN, SHERIFF, YOU KNOW,
17 THERE'S BOTH LAW ENFORCEMENT AS WELL AS OUR FIRE FOLKS
18 RESPOND. AND I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE WE'RE FLEXIBLE.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** YEAH. AND I CAN AGREE WITH THAT BECAUSE I THINK,
21 IN SOME OF OUR DISTRICTS, THE LAW ENFORCEMENT ISSUE IS
22 OVERRIDING BUT I RECOGNIZE THAT THERE'S SOME AREAS THAT THE
23 LAW ENFORCEMENT ISSUE MAY NOT BE OF THE SAME MAGNITUDE AS WE
24 HAVE IT IN INNER CITY AREAS, BUT THEY MAY HAVE A TREMENDOUS
25 FIRE ISSUE. SO THAT AT LEAST THERE NEEDS TO BE SOME MECHANISM



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1 WHERE WE CAN TRY TO REACH OUT TO ALL OF THOSE DIFFERENT
2 COMMUNITIES WHO MIGHT HAVE DIFFERENT KINDS OF ISSUES, AND ONLY
3 IN EXCEPTIONAL CASES.

4

5 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, MAY I ASK A QUESTION OF THAT? I JUST
6 NEED A CLARIFICATION HERE.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NO, I'M ASKING FOR CLARIFICATION FROM
9 COUNSEL THAT IT'S GENERIC ENOUGH THAT IT COULD BE INCLUSIVE.

10

11 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I WOULD ASK THAT IT BE AS GENERIC AS
12 POSSIBLE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF BUYING MORE FIREFIGHTERS WITH
13 THIS.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** RIGHT. NO, I'M NOT...

16

17 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I THINK THAT, WHEN YOU GO THERE, YOU ARE
18 GOING TO TAKE AWAY, ESSENTIALLY, THE CORE OF WHAT THIS
19 INITIATIVE WAS ALL ABOUT TO BEGIN WITH.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK WE ALL AGREE ON THAT.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, EVERYBODY BUT THE CHIEF. I MEAN, YOU
24 KNOW, THERE'S FEDERAL STANDARD AS IT RELATES TO FIREFIGHTING,
25 TOO, THAT AREN'T NECESSARILY BEING MET. BUT I JUST-- AT LEAST



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1 THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE AT THE TABLE I THINK, IS IMPORTANT, AND
2 YOU HAVE YOUR OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO DEAL WITH THE REST OF IT.

3

4 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** RIGHT, BUT WE CANNOT SAY THAT THIS IS...

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TO BE AT THE TABLE, JUST SO WE'RE CLEAR ON
7 THIS, TO BE AT THE TABLE FOR FIRST RESPONDER TYPES OF
8 THINGS...

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** KINDS OF ISSUES.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ...BUT NOT THE STANDARD-- YEAH.

13

14 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** ISSUES, TRAINING, EQUIPMENT.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, THINGS THAT ARE DIRECTLY RELATED TO
17 HOMELAND SECURITY AND...

18

19 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** TACTICS.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ...THOSE KIND OF THINGS BUT...

22

23 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** BUT NOT NEW FIREFIGHTER POSITIONS. I REALLY
24 BELIEVE THAT, ONCE THAT DOOR IS OPENED, THE BATTLE WILL GO
25 INTO COURT AND WHAT'S GOING ON IN ORANGE COUNTY IS GOING TO



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1 HAPPEN HERE. AND I THINK THE FIRE CHIEFS, AND I'VE SPOKEN TO
2 ALL OF THEM, OR JUST ABOUT ALL OF THEM, AND THE ASSOCIATION
3 AND I, AND THEY WERE UPSET AND THIS AND THAT. BUT I SAID,
4 "GENTLEMEN, YOUR NEEDS WILL BE MET BUT NOT YOUR PERSONNEL
5 NEEDS," AND THEY UNDERSTOOD THAT AND THEY ARE NOT OPPOSING
6 THIS. AND I SAID, "WE ARE IN THIS ALL TOGETHER BUT WHEN YOU
7 LOOK AT WHAT HAPPENS WITH CRIME AND HOW WE ARE THE DOGS OF ALL
8 THE CRITICISM, NO ONE CRITICIZES THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. EVERYONE
9 CRITICIZES EVERYTHING WE DO IN LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND WE KNOW
10 THE BETTER WAY TO DO THINGS BUT WE CAN'T GET TO THE BETTER WAY
11 IF WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH RESOURCES TO DO THAT," AND THAT'S ALL
12 WHY I'M PROTECTING THIS WHOLE THING IN TERMS OF IF WE'RE GOING
13 TO ADD MORE PEOPLE INTO THIS PROGRAM, IT HAS TO BE COPS.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, THE FIRE
16 DEPARTMENT, THEY'RE NOT ARRESTING PEOPLE. YOU'RE HAVING TO
17 RESTORE ORDER AND MAKE THE ARRESTS AND THAT CAUSES THE PERSON
18 BEING ARRESTED NOT LIKING TO BE ARRESTED. WHEREAS THE FIRE,
19 THEY RESPOND TO A HOUSE THAT'S ON FIRE...

20

21 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THEY'RE ALWAYS THE GOOD GUYS.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT, RIGHT, RIGHT.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, YOU'RE THE GOOD GUYS, TOO.



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2 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEY ALSO HAVE BETTER FOOD EVERY DAY. RIGHT?
5 BECAUSE THEY COOK IT THEMSELVES. [LIGHT LAUGHTER]

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, JUST ONE LAST THING THAT'S
8 PART OF ALL THIS, THAT THE COUNTY COUNSEL BE CONSTRUCTED TO
9 MAKE TECHNICAL AND GRAMMATICAL CHANGES, CORRECTIONS, IN THE
10 INTEREST OF MAKING THE MEASURE INTERNALLY CONSISTENT, SO WE
11 DON'T RUN INTO A PROBLEM NEXT WEEK. NEXT WEEK IS OUR LAST
12 OPPORTUNITY TO DO THIS.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** RIGHT. THAT'S WHY I ASK, IN MY MOTION AS
15 WELL, THAT WE BE CONSISTENT THROUGHOUT THE DOCUMENT.

16

17 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND ONE FURTHER CLARIFICATION ON THE MOTION,
18 THIS IS RISKY, I KNOW. ON THE MOTION THAT YOU AMENDED, YOUR
19 MOTION THAT YOU AMENDED TO DEAL WITH THE...

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SALES TAX?

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ...SALES TAX, NOT USING IT FOR MEETING THE
24 MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT, WAS THAT INTENDED TO DEAL WITH THE



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1 MOTION SUPERVISOR KNABE BROUGHT IN ON THE TWO-THIRDS VOTE THAT
2 SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAD QUESTIONS ABOUT...

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE IT TO, IF IT SATISFIES HIM, I HOPE
5 IT DOES, I THINK IT ADDRESSES...

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** SAME ISSUE.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SAME ISSUE.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT YOU ALSO SAY OTHER THAN AS ADDRESSED.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** RIGHT, RIGHT.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THERE'S-- I MEAN, THAT'S WHERE WE NEED TO
18 CLEAR THAT UP, BECAUSE MY FEELING IS IT DOESN'T GO FAR ENOUGH,
19 OBVIOUSLY, SO I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT...

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY DON'T YOU GUYS TALK.

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAD A NUMBER OF
24 CHANGES THAT WE NEED TO MAKE AS WELL IN TERMS OF THE LANGUAGE.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, WHICH-- I'M NOT SURE WHAT...

2

3 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THE-- MOST-- THERE WERE-- THEY'RE

4 CLARIFICATION, THEY'RE TECHNICAL-- WELL, THEY'RE IMPROVEMENTS.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MOST OF THEM WERE HARMLESS.

7

8 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, THEY'RE IMPROVEMENTS, THEY'RE NOT

9 HARMLESS. THEY'RE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE DOCUMENT, AND WE

10 UNDERSTAND WHAT THE DIRECTION IS.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ON THE ISSUE OF THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE? I

13 KNOW WHERE YOU ARE BUT WHERE ARE WE ON MR. ANTONOVICH'S

14 SUGGESTION? I DON'T WANT YOU TO DRAFT SOMETHING THAT'S NOT

15 GOING TO-- DO YOU HAVE ANY OBJECTIONS, MIKE, IF IT'S ADDED--

16 ADDED TWO MORE PEOPLE?

17

18 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** FOR INDEPENDENT CITIES.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'M JUST SAYING THAT THAT'S A-- WE OUGHT TO

21 BE CONSIDERING, BECAUSE THEY HAVE REPRESENTATION THAT IS NOT

22 BEING...

23



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, BUT WE'RE-- I DON'T THINK WE'RE GOING
2 TO TAKE ANYBODY OFF AT THIS STAGE OF THE GAME, FOR WHATEVER
3 REASON BUT...

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT ADDING THEN.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE WANT TO ADD, OKAY, SO WHY DON'T YOU JUST
8 TAKE A LOOK?

9

10 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** TWO MORE. WE'LL TALK ABOUT THIS. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. JUST ONE MORE THING. [
13 LAUGHTER]

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HEY, I GOT A FEW MORE QUESTIONS. [LIGHT
16 LAUGHTER]

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I THINK...

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO DOES THAT END THAT ITEM, MR. CHAIRMAN?

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THAT ENDS THAT ITEM WITH THAT DIRECTION.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BECAUSE THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO CAN GO HOME
25 NOW.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING DOWN.

3

4 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. THANK YOU, MEMBERS
5 OF THE BOARD. WE'LL BE HERE NEXT TUESDAY.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I THINK THE ONLY OTHER ITEM IS ITEM 11,
8 WHICH I HELD, IS-- YEAH, WE'LL DO A SET ITEM AGAIN ON THAT.
9 11:00 IS THERE A-- I HAVE C.I.O. AND MARV, IF YOU'D COME UP.
10 OBVIOUSLY, THIS IS A CURE OF A LONG-TERM SITUATION THAT WE HAD
11 OF SOME VERY SIGNIFICANT PROBLEMS. I GUESS MAYBE YOU COULD
12 SUMMARIZE THE ISSUES THAT, YOU KNOW, CAUSED THIS NINE-MONTH
13 DELAY ON THE GO-LIVE DATE, WHERE THE SYSTEM WAS SCHEDULED FOR
14 OCTOBER OF 2003.

15

16 **JON FULLENWIDER:** DO YOU WANT TO GO AHEAD?

17

18 **MARVIN J. SOUTHARD:** MARV SOUTHARD, DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
19 HEALTH. MR. CHAIR, THE ISSUE IS BASICALLY CONCERNED WITH THE
20 COMPLICATIONS OF CREATING A H.I.P.A.A. COMPLIANCE SYSTEM FOR
21 MENTAL HEALTH, AND THE CHALLENGES OF THIS EFFORT WERE GREATER
22 THAN EITHER THE VENDOR OR THE DEPARTMENT OR THE C.A.O.--
23 C.I.O. ORIGINALLY BELIEVED. WE WERE ABLE TO CURE THE
24 DEFICIENCIES IN THE MANAGEMENT OF THE PROGRAM THAT HAD
25 INITIALLY SURFACED AND WE BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE MADE SUCH



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1 SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS THAT WE ARE CURRENTLY ONE OF ONLY TWO
2 COUNTIES IN CALIFORNIA THAT ARE CERTIFIED AS GREEN OR GO-LIVE
3 ON THIS PROJECT. WE ARE THE FIRST COUNTY TO HAVE HAD A
4 SUCCESSFUL BILLING UNDER THE NEW SYSTEM. SO WE BELIEVE THAT,
5 EVEN THOUGH THERE WERE MAJOR DELAYS, WE ARE STILL AHEAD OF
6 MOST ENTITIES IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE H.I.P.A.A.
7 COMPLIANT TRANSACTIONS.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, IN YOUR REPORT, YOU MENTIONED THE
10 ISSUES THAT YOU'VE REACHED MUTUAL AGREEMENT ON WITH SIERRA
11 SYSTEMS. ARE THERE ANY TECHNICAL OR FUNCTIONAL ISSUES THAT YOU
12 HAVEN'T REACHED AGREEMENT ON THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED YET?

13

14 **JON FULLENWIDER:** SUPERVISOR, JON FULLENWIDER, CHIEF
15 INFORMATION OFFICER. NO, THERE ARE NO TECHNICAL ISSUES. THE
16 TECHNICAL ISSUES IDENTIFIED LAST OCTOBER 16TH HAVE, IN FACT,
17 BEEN RESOLVED. THE SYSTEM IS OPERATIONALLY FUNCTIONING AT THIS
18 POINT IN TIME. WE ARE EXCHANGING INFORMATION WITH THE STATE
19 AND, AS DR. SOUTHARD INDICATED, WE'RE THE FIRST COUNTY TO BE
20 ABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY DO THAT. THE ISSUES THAT ARE PREVENTING
21 US FROM MOVING FORWARD AT THIS POINT IN TIME ARE NOT OF A
22 TECHNICAL NATURE, THEY'RE PROCESS PROCEDURAL ISSUES WITHIN THE
23 DEPARTMENT AND THE COORDINATION WITH THE VARIOUS PROVIDERS AND
24 ARE NOT AT ALL CONSTRAINED BY ANY SYSTEM DEFICIENCIES.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO THERE'S NO, LIKE, TROUBLE TICKETING
2 PROCESS IN PLACE TO FOLLOW UP?

3

4 **JON FULLENWIDER:** OH, THERE IS. THERE ARE...

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I MEAN, IS SIERRA GOOD AT-- I MEAN, WE'VE
7 HAD SOME PROBLEMS HERE SO ARE THEY-- YOU HAVE-- FEEL
8 COMFORTABLE WITH THEIR ABILITY? YOU HAVE DATA TO RELATE ON
9 THEIR TROUBLE TICKETING?

10

11 **JON FULLENWIDER:** SIERRA SYSTEMS HAS HAD A PRETTY POSITIVE
12 RELATIONSHIP WITH THE COUNTY OVER THE YEARS WITH THE SHERIFF
13 AND OTHER LARGE IMPLEMENTATIONS, ET CETERA. I THINK THAT THE
14 DIFFICULTIES THAT SIERRA ENCOUNTERED WITH THIS SYSTEM KIND OF
15 CAUGHT THEM OFF GUARD AS WELL. THEY'VE TAKEN ACTIONS TO
16 CORRECT THAT. THERE IS FORMAL CHANGE MANAGEMENT IN PLACE. AS
17 YOU KNOW, THIS IS A SEVEN-YEAR PROJECT, WITH APPROXIMATELY SIX
18 YEARS OF SUSTAINING MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT. AT THIS POINT IN
19 TIME, THEY ARE WHERE WE SHOULD BE IN DELIVERING THE SYSTEM. WE
20 ARE UNDER BUDGET IN TERMS OF THE DOLLARS ALLOCATED FOR THIS.
21 WE'RE CERTAINLY OVER THE TIME FRAME REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT IT.
22 THE STEPS THAT THE BOARD TOOK IN NOVEMBER WAS AT OUR REQUEST
23 TO BASICALLY GET SIERRA'S ATTENTION THAT THIS WAS A
24 SIGNIFICANT ISSUE FOR THE COUNTY, IT WAS A MAJOR UNDERTAKING.
25 SIERRA NEEDED TO FOCUS RESOURCES TO ENSURE THAT THEY ADDRESSED



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1 THIS ISSUE IN A TIMELY MANNER. THEY TOOK ALL OF THAT TO HEART
2 AND HAVE DONE WHAT WE BELIEVE IS PRUDENT ACTIONS, ET CETERA,
3 TO RESOLVE THESE ISSUES. AND, AT THIS POINT IN TIME, AS I
4 SAID, THE SYSTEM IS OPERATIONALLY FUNCTIONING AND THE ISSUES
5 RELATED TO ITS FULL IMPLEMENTATION RELATE MORE TO WHAT MENTAL
6 HEALTH HAS TO DO NOW IN COORDINATING WITH THEIR PROVIDERS AND
7 NOT WITH SYSTEM TECHNICAL ISSUES.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE, THEN, IN
10 RECOMMENDING, YOU KNOW, CURING THE SIERRA'S DEFAULT SYSTEM
11 BEFORE THE SYSTEM ACCEPTANCE TEST IS FULL AND BEFORE THE
12 SYSTEM IS ACTUALLY FULLY DEPLOYED, WHICH ISN'T SCHEDULED UNTIL
13 NEXT MONTH? IS THAT CORRECT?

14

15 **JON FULLENWIDER:** THE SYSTEM IS OPERATING FUNCTIONALLY TODAY.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO IT'S FULLY DEPLOYED?

18

19 **JON FULLENWIDER:** CORRECT.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** TO ALL THE EXTERNAL PROVIDERS?

22

23 **JON FULLENWIDER:** NOT IT'S NOT TO ALL THE EXTERNAL PROVIDERS
24 BECAUSE THEY HAVE NOT BEEN COORDINATED WITH. BUT THAT'S NOT A
25 TECHNICAL ISSUE FOR THE SYSTEM.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. YES?

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WHEN WILL THE SIERRA CORRECT
5 THE TREATMENT AUTHORIZATION REPORT? CURRENTLY, THEIR DATA,
6 WHEN INTRODUCED, INCORRECTLY REPORTED.

7

8 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** A PLAN IS BEING DEVELOPED, SUPERVISOR
9 ANTONOVICH, TO IDENTIFY THE CORRECTIVE ACTION AS TO WHEN THAT
10 WILL BE DONE. WE HAVE A COMMITMENT, A FORMAL DOCUMENT FROM
11 SIERRA COMMITTING TO THOSE ACTIVITIES THAT WERE MOVED OUTSIDE
12 THE GO-LIVE TIME FRAME.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHY ARE THE-- WHY DOES INTEGRATED SYSTEMS
15 CONTINUE TO HAVE ERRORS IN THEIR REPORTING PROOF OF MEDI-CAL
16 ELIGIBILITY?

17

18 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** THE ERROR CONDITION ARE NOT SO MUCH SYSTEMS-
19 RELATED ISSUES AS THEY ARE BASICALLY USER-RELATED ISSUES IN
20 TERMS OF HOW THE INFORMATION IS PUT IN THE SYSTEM. THEY'RE NOT
21 SYSTEM-RELATED ISSUES.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WE HAVE TO RETRAIN OUR STAFF?

24

25 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** WE HAVE TO RETRAIN, EXACTLY.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO IS THERE IN-SERVICE TAKING PLACE?

3

4 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** THAT'S CORRECT.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT NOW? IT'S ALREADY TAKING PLACE?

7

8 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** IT'S CURRENTLY TAKING PLACE ON A CONTINUOUS
9 BASIS AND TRAINING IS ALSO BEING PROVIDED TO THE CONTRACT
10 AGENCIES IN ADVANCE OF THEIR ROLLOUT, WHICH IS SCHEDULED.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU BOTH. IT'LL BE MOVED BY
15 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
16 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. WE ALSO HELD ITEM NUMBER 32,
17 SUPERVISOR, WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE THAT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE FROM CONGRESSMAN
20 MCKEON'S OFFICE WHO WANTS TO MAKE A STATEMENT.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. LINDA LAMBOURNE.

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24 **LINDA LAMBOURNE:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS LINDA LAMBOURNE
25 AND I'M REPRESENTING CONGRESSMAN MCKEON. HIS DISTRICT IS IN



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1 PORTIONS OF NORTHERN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I WISH TO CONVEY HIS
2 SUPPORT FOR A MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE L.A. COUNTY
3 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.
4 IT'S ESTIMATED THAT ILLEGAL ALIENS COST L.A. COUNTY TAXPAYERS
5 IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF \$150 MILLION A YEAR. CAPTURING A HIGHER
6 PERCENTAGE OF THESE CRIMINAL ILLEGAL ALIENS WILL SAVE COUNTY
7 TAXPAYERS A GREAT DEAL OF MONEY AND INCREASE PUBLIC SAFETY BY
8 REMOVING THESE CRIMINALS. IT'S ALSO ESTIMATED THAT AT LEAST
9 ONE QUARTER OF THE INMATES THAT CYCLE THROUGH THE COUNTY JAIL
10 SYSTEM ARE ILLEGAL ALIENS. AN ENHANCED DATA COLLECTION SYSTEM
11 WOULD GET MORE ILLEGAL ALIENS OUT OF OUR SYSTEM AND, IN TURN,
12 REDUCE THE COST TO THE TAXPAYERS. IF PROPERLY SCREENED, THE
13 THOUGHT IS THAT UP TO 40,000 OF THESE CRIMINAL ILLEGAL ALIENS
14 COULD BE DEPORTED FROM THE COUNTY, SAVING MILLIONS OF DOLLARS
15 AND PROVIDING INCREASED SAFETY TO THE RESIDENTS WHO SUFFER AT
16 THE HANDS OF THESE CRIMINALS. CURRENTLY, THERE'S ONLY TWO
17 AGENTS OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS
18 ENFORCEMENT WHO ARE ASSIGNED TO THE COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM TO
19 DETERMINE IF A FOREIGN-BORN INMATE IS CONVICTED OR PREVIOUSLY
20 DEPORTED CRIMINAL ALIEN. HOWEVER, THESE AGENTS ARE ONLY ABLE
21 TO IDENTIFY ABOUT 12% OF THE FOREIGN-BORN INMATE POPULATION.
22 COUNTY RECORDS INDICATE THAT, OF THESE IDENTIFIED AS
23 DEPORTABLE, 45% WERE REARRESTED WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF THEIR
24 RELEASE DATE. AND THEY USE UP TO FIVE DIFFERENT ALIASES AND
25 GENERALLY OVER TWO DIFFERENT BIRTHDATES. THE MEMO OF



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1 UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND
2 THE DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS WOULD ALLOW FOR SIX
3 CUSTODY ASSISTANTS WHO ARE NOT SWORN PERSONNEL TO INCORPORATE,
4 IN THESE INTERVIEWS, A CLASSIFICATION PROCESS WHICH WOULD HELP
5 CAPTURE A HIGHER PERCENTAGE OF THESE INMATE POPULATIONS. APART
6 FROM THE FISCAL CONCERNS, FAILING TO IDENTIFY THESE CRIMINAL
7 ILLEGAL ALIENS PLACES CITIZENS OF AMERICA, NOT JUST LOS
8 ANGELES COUNTY, AT SERIOUS JEOPARDY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
9 ATTENTION ON THIS MATTER.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MAY I ASK A QUESTION?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MM-HMM.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW YOU'RE ONLY REPRESENTING THE CONGRESSMAN,
18 BUT MY QUESTION WOULD BE WHY DOESN'T CONGRESS SUPPORT ADDING
19 ADDITIONAL I.C.E. OFFICERS?

20

21 **LINDA LAMBOURNE:** I THINK, IN A SENSE, THROUGH THE HOMELAND
22 SECURITY GRANTS, THERE WOULD BE ADDITIONAL MONEY FUNDING.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT THIS IS ASKING THE COUNTY TAXPAYERS TO PAY
25 FOR THIS AND WE JUST ARE TRYING TO PASS AN INITIATIVE TO GET



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1 MORE MONEY IN. WHY SHOULDN'T THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PAY FOR
2 THIS?

3

4 **LINDA LAMBOURNE:** OVER THE PAST THREE YEARS, I DON'T HAVE THE
5 EXACT BREAKDOWN, BUT THE TOTAL HAS BEEN 58.9 MILLION DOLLARS
6 THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS GIVEN TO THE COUNTY OF LOS
7 ANGELES.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** MAYBE SO, BUT THE POINT IS THAT THE ISSUE IS
10 THAT, IF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WANTS US TO DO THEIR WORK, WHY
11 DON'T THEY JUST PAY FOR MORE I.C.E. OFFICERS?

12

13 **LINDA LAMBOURNE:** I THINK THAT IS A QUESTION THAT I COULDN'T...

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND THAT, BUT MAYBE YOU MIGHT GET THE
16 CONGRESSMAN TO RESPOND TO IT. THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO US.
17 THIS ITEM IS BEING CONTINUED, SO IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE. I'D
18 LIKE TO ASK FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IF THEY COULD COME UP
19 SO THEY COULD EXPLAIN THIS.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WHILE THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
22 IS COMING UP...

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OH, YOU WANT THAT NOW OR YOU WANT IT WHEN
25 IT COMES BACK ON AUGUST 3RD? IT'S BEING CONTINUED.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW BUT THEY'RE RAISING IT NOW, SO I'LL ASK MY
3 QUESTIONS NOW.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, AS THE SHERIFF IS COMING UP,
6 WHAT THEY HAVE IS AN OPPORTUNITY, INSTEAD OF GETTING ABOUT 10
7 TO 12% OF THOSE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS BEING IDENTIFIED AND
8 DEPORTED, THIS WOULD INCREASE THAT NUMBER WHERE THEY'D HAVE, I
9 BELIEVE, FROM EIGHT UNTIL-- 8:00 IN THE EVENING, FIVE DAYS A
10 WEEK, SHERIFF, THEY'RE GOING TO USE CUSTODY OFFICERS, THOSE
11 ARE NON-SWORN PERSONNEL, TO CONDUCT THE INTERVIEWS. THIS WILL
12 HELP GENERATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THE COUNTY AND THE
13 REIMBURSEMENTS THAT ARE WE ARE NOT CURRENTLY RECEIVING, AND
14 ALSO ACT AS A STRONGER DETERRENT TO DEPORT THOSE CRIMINAL
15 ALIENS THAT ARE HERE. AS WE ALL KNOW, DEPUTY MARCH, AMONG
16 OTHERS, HAVE BEEN VICTIMS OF THE CRIMINALS WHO HAVE BEEN,
17 LET'S SAY, THROUGH HIGH RECIDIVISM, COMING BACK HERE AND
18 COMMITTING THESE CRIMES, AND THIS WILL BE AN OPPORTUNITY TO
19 PREVENT FUTURE DEPUTY MARCH KILLINGS AND HELPING RESTORE SOME
20 ORDER TO THE COMMUNITY. SO IT'S A VERY WIN/WIN SITUATION. THE
21 SHERIFF AND I WERE TALKING ABOUT THIS PROGRAM DURING 9/11,
22 AND, WHEN WE WERE THERE, WHEN THE NATION WAS ATTACKED, AND
23 IT'S A OPPORTUNITY OF WORKING TOGETHER COOPERATIVELY. THE
24 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WORK COOPERATIVELY WITH THE FEDERAL



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1 GOVERNMENT WHEN WE APPREHEND BANK ROBBERS, WHEN WE APPREHEND
2 OTHER INDIVIDUALS WHO COMMIT CRIMES.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. ANTONOVICH, I WAS ON MY TIME, SO KIND OF
5 LIMIT IT SO I CAN ASK HIM MY QUESTIONS.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. SO THAT IS THE INTENT OF THIS PROGRAM.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. IS THAT TRUE?

10

11 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** IN PART, YES, SUPERVISOR.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHAT PART IS TRUE?

14

15 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, THE FACT THAT, NUMBER ONE, IN THE
16 COUNTY JAILS TODAY, WE HAVE TWO IMMIGRATION OFFICERS WHO ARE
17 IN THE SYSTEM, OF WHICH LEGALLY THEY NEED TO BE IN THE SYSTEM
18 BECAUSE THE INTERVIEWS, AS WE INTERVIEW PEOPLE IN THE STREET
19 BEFORE WE EVEN ARREST THEM, PART OF OUR BOOKING PROCEDURE...

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND, BUT I'VE NEVER HAD A PROBLEM THAT'S
22 BEEN AN ONGOING PROCESS. BUT NOW, HOW DOES THAT BRING MORE
23 MONEY? WE DON'T IDENTIFY THEM NOW, IS THAT IT? AND IT IS BASED
24 ON PER CAPITA, PER POPULATION?

25



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1 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES, YES. ON THESE...

2

3 **SUP. MOLINA:** HOW, ON THAT REIMBURSEMENT? I'VE NEVER UNDERSTOOD
4 THAT. SO IF YOU HAVE 5,000 OR 52,000, YOU GET A DIFFERENT
5 REIMBURSEMENT RATE?

6

7 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES. AND WHAT'S INTERESTING ABOUT THIS, AND
8 THIS IS THE DIFFICULT...

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** DAVID, DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT TO BE THE CASE?

11

12 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I'M LISTENING RIGHT NOW ALSO, SUPERVISOR.

13

14 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WHAT HAS HAPPENED IS THE DEPARTMENT OF
15 JUSTICE, UNDER THE S.C.A.P. PROVISIONS, OVER THE YEARS, HAS
16 CHANGED THEIR FORMULA FOR REIMBURSING THE COUNTIES AND THE
17 STATES FOR WHATEVER INCARCERATION COSTS WE HAVE.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHAT'S THEIR FORMULA TODAY?

20

21 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** PER CAPITA ACCOUNTING AND...

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEN THEY OWE US A LOT OF MONEY, DON'T THEY?
24 BECAUSE...

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1 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** ABSOLUTELY.

2

3 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, THEN THEY HAVEN'T-- EVEN THOUGH THEY HAVE A
4 FORMULA, THEY'VE NOT HONORED THEIR OWN FORMULA.

5

6 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THEY'VE NOT HONORED IT AND, FURTHERMORE, THE
7 ADMINISTRATION...

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IF YOU IDENTIFY MORE PEOPLE, YOU THINK THEY'RE
10 GOING TO HONOR IT? IS THAT THE PURPOSE OF THIS THING?

11

12 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, THERE COULD BE THAT BUT THERE'S ALSO
13 THE OPPORTUNITY, IF WE SAY, AS A COUNTY, WE NEED TO SUE
14 SOMEBODY FOR THIS REIMBURSEMENT, WE HAVE THE DATA TO VERIFY
15 WHY THAT SUIT IS VALID.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT, RIGHT NOW, WE HAVE THE DATA TO RECOGNIZE AND
18 UNDERSTAND THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ISN'T REIMBURSING US.
19 WE'VE GONE TO D.C. TOGETHER ON THIS ISSUE BECAUSE I REALLY
20 BELIEVE THE FEDS SHOULD REIMBURSE US ON THOSE ISSUES AND THEY
21 HAVEN'T DONE SO AND THEY AREN'T WILLING TO HONOR THE FORMULA
22 THAT'S IN PLACE TODAY.

23

24 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THEY HONOR WHAT THEY HAVE WHEN IT COMES TO
25 THE DOLLARS THEY HAVE, AND WHAT'S HAPPENED...



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT. BUT AS YOU KNOW, EVEN IN THIS BUDGET, THEY
3 EVEN SHRUNK IT. WHAT IS THE AMOUNT NOW, NATIONWIDE, THEY'RE
4 GOING TO PROVIDE?

5

6 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THE '05 BUDGET, I BELIEVE, IS AT 300
7 MILLION. IT DROPPED TO 200 MILLION THE LAST YEAR, THE LAST
8 FISCAL YEAR. I CALLED DAVID DRIER AND I PLEADED WITH HIM AND
9 HE FOUND ANOTHER 50 MILLION FOR US. EVEN THOUGH WE WERE AT...

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT THAT'S AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL.

12

13 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL BUT WE ARE THE LARGEST
14 LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECIPIENT OF THE REIMBURSEMENT.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND HOW MUCH DID WE GET LAST YEAR?

17

18 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WE GOT, LAST YEAR, ABOUT \$9 MILLION.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** OUT OF THE \$250 MILLION?

21

22 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES. THIS CURRENT YEAR, WE HAVE \$13 MILLION,
23 WHICH IS PART OF THIS PROJECTED \$300 MILLION THAT I SPOKE OF.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IS 13 MILLION BASED ON AN INCREASE PER CAPITA
2 OF THE NUMBER OF FELONS THAT WE HAVE?

3

4 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** IT'S BASED ON THE NUMBER OF ILLEGAL
5 IMMIGRANTS IN OUR JAILS AND WHAT WE DO...

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHICH IS-- WHAT NUMBER IS IT TODAY? WHAT NUMBER
8 WAS THAT BASED ON?

9

10 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THE EXACT NUMBER, I CAN'T TELL YOU BUT I
11 COULD GIVE YOU WHAT WE PROVIDED THEM.

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I THINK THE INCREASED DOLLARS, IF I HEARD YOU
14 CORRECTLY, IS UNRELATED TO THE NUMBERS, NEW NUMBERS IN THE
15 JAIL. IT'S SIMPLY APPLYING THE FORMULA AGAINST MORE AVAILABLE
16 MONEY.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S THE ISSUE, IS THAT THERE ISN'T THE MONEY
19 THERE. SO THAT'S ONE OF THE THINGS THAT'S NOT TRUE. BUT,
20 SHERIFF, IN SETTING UP THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, WHY
21 ARE YOU CONTRACTING TO DO THE WORK OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT?
22 WHY DOESN'T THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT JUST COME IN AND DO IT
23 THEMSELVES?

24

25 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, SHE...



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT SHE-- I KNOW, BUT SHE DIDN'T.

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4 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** SHE CAN ANSWER THAT, BUT WHERE WE WERE ASKED
5 TO PARTICIPATE IN HELPING THIS ISSUE OF IDENTIFYING ILLEGAL
6 IMMIGRANTS IS THAT, UNDER THE HOMELAND SECURITY DEPARTMENT,
7 THE UNDERSECRETARY, ASA HUTCHINS, CAME TO THE SHERIFF'S
8 DEPARTMENT ON A COUPLE OF VISITS AND HE SAID, "HERE'S THE
9 THING THAT WE WANT TO MAKE SURE OF," AND THAT IS WHATEVER IT
10 IS THE FINANCES OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ARE GOING TO PROVIDE
11 TO LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT, WE NEED TO HAVE AS ACCURATE ACCOUNT
12 AS WE POSSIBLY CAN.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND, BUT WHY DON'T THEY JUST PUT IN FOUR
15 OFFICERS?

16

17 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, THEY COULD AND I DON'T KNOW WHY THEY
18 DON'T.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** WOULDN'T THAT BE A BETTER THING?

21

22 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I THINK, FROM JUST A PURE APPEARANCE POINT
23 OF VIEW, IT COULD BE A BETTER THING, YES. BUT WHEN IT COMES TO
24 THE ACTUAL GETTING THE JOB DONE OF IDENTIFYING THOSE WHO ARE



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1 IN JAIL ILLEGALLY, THEY'D HAVE TO PUT IN ENOUGH PEOPLE TO DO
2 IT THE RIGHT WAY AND EVEN WITH...

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND I UNDERSTAND. SO WOULDN'T A BETTER APPROACH
5 BE TO ASK THE I.C.E. TO PUT IN THE APPROPRIATE NUMBER OF
6 PERSONNEL TO CARRY OUT THIS FUNCTION?

7

8 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I AGREE WITH THAT.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** BECAUSE WE'VE ALWAYS SUPPORTED THAT THERE'S NO
11 PROBLEM WITH THE I.N.S. OR I.C.E., AS IT'S NOW KNOWN, TO CARRY
12 OUT THAT WORK. I'M HAVING A PROBLEM TRYING TO UNDERSTAND HOW--
13 WHY WE DECIDED TO DO THE WORK FOR THEM AND I THINK IT WOULD BE
14 WORTHWHILE TO HEAR FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AS TO WHY
15 THEY'RE ASKING US TO SUBSIDIZE THIS RESPONSIBILITY WHEN, IN
16 FACT, THEY'RE NOT EVEN PAYING FOR AND DEPORTING, AND DEPORTING
17 THE PEOPLE THAT WE IDENTIFY TODAY.

18

19 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, THEY ARE DEPORTING QUITE A FEW PEOPLE,
20 AS A MATTER OF FACT, YOU CAN SPEAK...

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT AGAIN, WE IDENTIFIED-- WELL, WE IDENTIFIED--
23 HOW MANY DID WE IDENTIFY LAST YEAR?

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25 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** GO AHEAD.



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2 **LINDA LAMBOURNE:** THAT WOULDN'T-- IS NOT SOMETHING THAT I HAVE
3 AT MY FINGERTIPS BUT IT IS CERTAINLY, YOU KNOW, INCREASING.

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5 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE IDENTIFIED MORE THAN THEY DEPORTED.

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7 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THAT'S ALL WE DO IN THIS. WE DON'T, WE
8 DON'T...

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10 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND BUT THAT'S WHY I'M RAISING THE ISSUE
11 AND, SHERIFF, I KNOW WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE THIS ITEM BUT I
12 THINK THAT THE KEY QUESTION IS HERE IS WHY ARE WE SUBSIDIZING
13 THIS WORK? I.C.E. CAN COME IN RIGHT NOW WITH A STAFF OF 352
14 PEOPLE, IF THEY WANTED, AND WE HAVE-- WE HAVE ALWAYS PERMITTED
15 THE I.C.E. TO CARRY OUT ITS WORK OF INTERVIEWING OUR
16 INCARCERATED FELONS BEFORE OR AFTER THEY'VE EVEN BEEN
17 PROSECUTED, RIGHT? AND THAT IS SOMETHING-- IT'S JUST THE ISSUE
18 IS WHY WE'RE CREATING THIS RELATION AND SUBSIDIZING IT WHEN,
19 IN FACT, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE CARRYING OUT THIS
20 WORK?

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22 **LINDA LAMBOURNE:** THEY ARE GIVING MONEY. I MEAN, OVER THE PAST
23 THREE YEARS, THE 58...

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S NOT AT ISSUE. THAT'S A DIFFERENT ISSUE. WE
2 NEED MONEY FOR VARIOUS OTHER KINDS OF WORK. YOU SAW EARLIER
3 ALL OF THE OFFICERS THAT WERE HERE, ALL THE VARIOUS CAPTAINS.
4 WE HAVE A TREMENDOUS RESPONSIBILITY, NOT ONLY IN THE AREA OF
5 OUR BASIC SAFETY ISSUES BUT NOW THE ADDED RESPONSIBILITY OF,
6 QUOTE, HOMELAND SECURITY. SO, BUT MY ISSUE IS, AGAIN, THERE IS
7 NOT A PROBLEM UNDER OUR PROVISIONS THAT THE COUNTY HAS TODAY
8 TO HAVE I.C.E. OFFICERS COME IN AND CARRY OUT THAT WORK. WHAT
9 YOU'RE DOING NOW IS WE ARE BEING ASKED BY THE FEDERAL
10 GOVERNMENT TO SUBSIDIZE THE WORK THAT I.C.E. ALREADY DOES AND
11 SHOULD BE DOING. AND, HOPEFULLY, WE'LL HAVE BETTER ANSWERS
12 WHEN THIS ITEM IS CONTINUED FOR, WHEN, NEXT WEEK?

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14 **LINDA LAMBOURNE:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** I MEAN, THIS IS NOT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S
17 ISSUE. THIS IS THE SHERIFF'S...

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA? THE SHERIFF HAS
20 RECOMMENDED THAT IT BE CONTINUED TO AUGUST 3RD.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I WON'T BE HERE ON THE 3RD.
23 WOULD THE 10TH WORK FOR YOU?

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1 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I'LL PUT IT OFF UNTIL YOU'RE READY TO HEAR
2 IT IN THE MANNER THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO HEAR IT. WE WILL
3 PREPARE ANY KIND OF EXPLANATION...

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST OF ALL, WE COULD VOTE ON IT TODAY. WE
6 COULD VOTE ON IT NEXT WEEK. THE PROBLEM IS, IT OCCURRED
7 YESTERDAY. WE HAVE PEOPLE THERE THAT ARE NOT BEING IDENTIFIED
8 AND WE ARE LOSING REVENUES AS WE SPEAK.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT IS NOT TRUE. THAT IS NOT TRUE. SUPERVISOR
11 ANTONOVICH, PUTTING OUT THE WRONG INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC
12 IS...

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST OF ALL, IT IS NOT...

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE ARE NOT LOSING REVENUE BY-- IF WE IDENTIFY THE
17 PEOPLE, THEY DON'T REIMBURSE US IF WE IDENTIFY SIX MORE.

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19 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WE HAVE TIME. WE HAVE TIME, MIKE.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN ORDER TO BE REIMBURSED, YOU HAVE TO
22 IDENTIFY THEM.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT IS NOT TRUE.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN ORDER TO BE REIMBURSED, YOU HAVE TO BE
2 IDENTIFY AND THEN GO THROUGH THE FORMULA. THE PROBLEM IS, THE
3 PEOPLE YOU IDENTIFY ARE ALSO IN THERE BECAUSE THEY COMMITTED
4 CRIMINAL ACTS. IF WE WANT TO GET TOUGH ON CRIME, WE HAVE TO
5 GET TOUGH ON CRIME, AND IT'S A DECISION THAT THIS BOARD HAS TO
6 MAKE. DO WE WORK AS A PARTNER WITH THESE ADDITIONAL NON-SWORN
7 PERSONNEL TO ASSIST IN A VERY IMPORTANT ISSUE THAT IMPACTS THE
8 SAFETY OF OUR COMMUNITY? PERIOD.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** AGAIN, THE ISSUE IS, I THINK THAT ONE OF THE
11 PARTNERSHIPS THAT WE HAVE HAD IN LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND IT'S NOT
12 JUST THE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT BUT THE
13 PARTNERSHIP WITH THE PUBLIC, AND THE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE
14 PUBLIC IS HOW WE RESPOND TO THE ISSUES BEFORE US. WE ARE
15 COUNTY GOVERNMENT, AND WE HAVE HAD A VERY GOOD RELATIONSHIP IN
16 OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND IN OUR
17 PARTNERSHIP WITH THE PUBLIC. WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING IS WE
18 HAVE SEPARATED. WE ALLOW THE I.C.E. TO COME IN AND INTERVIEW
19 THOSE INDIVIDUALS AND MAKE A DETERMINATION. THEY MAKE THE
20 DETERMINATION. WE DON'T TELL THEM WHAT TO DO. THEY MAKE THE
21 DETERMINATION BY THE QUESTIONS AND THE DATA THAT THEY PURSUE.
22 WHAT IS A PROBLEM IS THAT YOU ARE NOT GOING TO HAVE SAFETY AND
23 YOU'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE PUBLIC BY
24 INTIMIDATING AND NOW FUZZING THOSE LINES. THAT IS WHY I'M
25 ASKING THAT QUESTION AND THAT'S WHY I WANT TO CLARIFY IT. I



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1 THINK THAT, AGAIN, THESE ARE ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED.
2 I'VE BEEN ASKING THIS QUESTION BUT I UNDERSTAND, SHERIFF, THAT
3 YOUR OFFICERS HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO MEET WITH MY STAFF IN THE
4 LAST TWO WEEKS TO PROVIDE THESE BASIC ANSWERS. IT REALLY WOULD
5 BE WORTHWHILE. I THINK THEY'RE VERY SIMPLE QUESTIONS AND I
6 THINK THAT, IF YOU COULD FIND SOMEBODY WHO WAS INVOLVED IN
7 NEGOTIATING THIS, I ALREADY TALKED TO THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE AND
8 IT IS VERY CLEAR THAT THEY DON'T HAVE A GOOD IDEA OF HOW THIS
9 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING IS GOING TO WORK. I'D LIKE TO HAVE
10 A CLEAR IDEA, IF WE'RE GOING TO HAVE IT ON OUR AGENDA, AND SO
11 IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE. TODAY I ASKED SOME VERY BASIC
12 QUESTIONS AND I THINK THAT DATA SHOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE. AND
13 IT IS A PARTNERSHIP. THE PARTNERSHIP ISN'T EXCLUSIVELY WITH
14 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. WE ARE A GOVERNMENT THAT SERVES OUR
15 COUNTY RESIDENTS AND, AS WE ARE GOING OUT TO OUR COUNTY VOTERS
16 AND ASKING THEM TO INCREASE THEIR SALES TAX IN ORDER TO
17 PROVIDE MORE SECURITY, THE PARTNERSHIP IS WITH THOSE
18 RESIDENTS, NOT WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. OUR PARTNERSHIP
19 WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TODAY IS TO ALLOW THEM INTO OUR
20 JAILS AND TO CONDUCT THESE INTERVIEWS. AND SO WE HAVE TO BE
21 VERY CAUTIOUS AS WE START FUZZING UP THOSE LINES AND START
22 MAYBE CREATING A MECHANISM BY WHICH PEOPLE WOULD NOT CALL
23 THEIR SHERIFFS WHEN THEY NEED TO CALL THEIR SHERIFFS BECAUSE
24 THEY'D BE FRIGHTENED OF REPORTING CRIME, OF BEING WITNESSES TO
25 CRIME, BECAUSE THEY WOULD FEAR DOING IT. AND YOU KNOW HOW



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1 EFFECTIVE IT IS AND HOW IMPORTANT IT IS THAT IF YOU CANNOT
2 PROSECUTE THESE INDIVIDUALS BECAUSE NO ONE WILL TESTIFY AND NO
3 ONE WILL COME FORWARD BECAUSE THEY DON'T TRUST US, THEN YOU'RE
4 CREATING SECONDARY PROBLEMS.

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6 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I THINK THOSE ARE VALID POINTS. AND I DON'T
7 BELIEVE THERE'S A RUSH FOR ME TO RUN THIS BEFORE YOU WITHOUT
8 ALL THE THOROUGH POINTS THAT ARE BEING QUESTIONED NOW ABOUT
9 ARE BEFORE YOU. LET ME SAY, ON BEHALF OF MYSELF, I'M IN A NO-
10 WIN SITUATION WHEN IT COMES TO CRIME AS IT PERTAINS TO THE
11 ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS OTHER THAN TO SAY THAT, IF WE'RE GOING TO
12 DO OUR JOB, WE RESPECT THE DIGNITY OF EVERYBODY INVOLVED IN
13 THIS, AND I THINK THE CHILLING EFFECT IS OBVIOUSLY IN THE
14 MINDS OF MANY OUT THERE. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, I'M GOING TO
15 TAKE MY SWIPE NOW AT THEM, I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT THIS NATION
16 CAN FIND THE WILL TO DO ALL THE THINGS THAT IT DOES REGARDING
17 ITS SAFETY AND NOT DO ENOUGH TO HELP LOCAL GOVERNMENT WITH ITS
18 OBLIGATION THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS FAIL TO PROVIDE. IT IS
19 NOT ONLY SHAMEFUL, IT SHOWS THAT PEOPLE IN LEADERSHIP
20 POSITIONS IN THE FEDERAL SYSTEM DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT CRIME IN
21 AMERICA TRULY IS ALL ABOUT. THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT THEIR
22 OBLIGATIONS ARE TO FUND LOCAL GOVERNMENT FOR WHAT WE PICK UP
23 AS A FEDERAL OBLIGATION, AND THERE'S A LOT OF THINGS THAT WE
24 CAN TALK ABOUT ON THE WHOLE SCOPE OF THE PROGRAM OF WHAT THE
25 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FAILS TO DO. OBVIOUSLY, THERE ARE THINGS



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1 THEY DO WELL, THERE ARE THINGS THAT THEY WILL DO TO MAKE
2 THINGS BETTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT, SO IT'S NOT A COMPLETE
3 INDICTMENT, BUT I'M WAITING FOR THIS ADMINISTRATION AND THIS
4 CONGRESS AND THIS SENATE TO APPROPRIATE WHAT HAS BEEN PROPOSED
5 BY SENATOR DIANE FEINSTEIN, AND THAT IS \$650 MILLION FOR
6 REIMBURSEMENT COSTS TO THE ENTIRE NATION ON THE WHOLE ISSUE OF
7 WHAT IT COSTS US. SO I'M NOT GOING TO BREAK MY BACK ON THIS
8 ONE ASPECT FOR THE SAKE OF MAKING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FEEL
9 LIKE THEY'VE GOT SOME KIND OF A ONE-UP ON THE ISSUE. THEY NEED
10 TO DO A HELL OF A LOT MORE THAN WHAT THEY'VE BEEN DOING TO
11 THIS POINT IN TIME, INCLUDING ADD MORE I.C.E. AGENTS INTO THE
12 OFFICE HERE LOCALLY. U.S. ATTORNEYS NEED TO BE ADDED IN.
13 THERE'S A WHOLE PLETHORA OF COMPLAINTS THAT I HAVE, AND SO
14 WHEN I SAY LET'S LOOK AT THIS A LITTLE MORE THOROUGHLY,
15 THERE'S THINGS THAT WE CAN MESSAGE BACK, AND THAT'S WHAT I
16 INTEND TO DO.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CONTINUE IT TO AUGUST 3RD. OKAY. GENEVIEVE.
19 GO AHEAD, GENEVIEVE.

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21 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. GOOD AFTERNOON. I AM
22 VERY CONCERNED. FIRST OF ALL, IT WAS A VIOLATION OF THE BROWN
23 ACT. THE INSTANT YOU BROUGHT THE ISSUE OF M.L.K. TO THIS BOARD
24 OF SUPERVISORS, THE PUBLIC HAS THE RIGHT TO SPEAK AT THE TIME
25 THE ITEM WAS PRESENTED.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** GENEVIEVE, I'M ALLOWING YOU TO SPEAK.
3 PLEASE PROCEED.

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5 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** WELL, I THINK, YOU KNOW, I WOULD HIGHLY
6 RECOMMEND THAT YOUR COUNTY COUNSEL TAKE A REFRESHER COURSE IN
7 THE BROWN ACT.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE WILL ENCOURAGE HIM TO DO SO.

10

11 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** THE ISSUE OF M.L.K. HAS BEEN VERY CLOSE TO
12 MY HEART FOR A LONG TIME, AND I'M SPEAKING NOT AS A MEMBER OF
13 THE PUBLIC HERE BUT AS AN EXPERT IN HEALTHCARE. A PERSON WHO
14 WAS IN IRAN FOR 36 YEARS AND IS A PH.D. IN HOSPITAL
15 MANAGEMENT. FROM THE BEGINNING, I OBJECTED TO THE SOLE VENDOR
16 CONTRACT OF THE CAMDEN GROUP. YESTERDAY WAS ENOUGH TO CALL THE
17 L.A. TIMES SHOWING THAT ALAMEDA COUNTY JUST GOT INDICTED BY
18 THE GRAND JURY FOR POOR MANAGEMENT OF THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM.
19 TWO MEMBERS THAT WERE BROUGHT TO M.L.K., GUESS WHERE THEY ARE
20 FROM? THEY ARE FROM ALAMEDA COUNTY. THEY WERE DOING SUCH A
21 GOOD JOB OVER THERE, WE BROUGHT THEM TO DO AS BAD A JOB AS
22 THEY DID IN ALAMEDA COUNTY. MR. KITT IS COMING FROM ALAMEDA
23 COUNTY. HE'S AN INTERIM CHIEF NURSING OFFICER. WE ARE PAYING
24 HIM \$61,500 A MONTH. THAT'S APPALLING. ALSO, ONE THING IS VERY
25 AMAZING. THIS MORNING, MR. FRED LEAF COULD NOT GIVE YOU AN



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1 ANSWER ON WHAT WAS THE RATIO OF MISTAKE, LIKE, LEAVING A
2 INSTRUMENT INSIDE OF A PATIENT. EACH HOSPITAL HAS A RISK
3 MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND HE SHOULD HAVE TAKEN MAYBE A COUPLE OF
4 HOURS TO GO TO EACH DIFFERENT HOSPITAL AND REVIEW THAT
5 INFORMATION. BUT THAT'S REFLECT OF WHAT'S GOING ON. NOBODY IS
6 GOING ON-- YOU KNOW, NOBODY KNOWS WHAT'S GOING ON, NOBODY
7 CARES. WHEN DR. GARTHWAITE HAD THE NERVE TO SAY THAT A NURSING
8 PROBLEM AT M.L.K. SOLVED IS AN OUTRIGHT MISREPRESENTATION. WE
9 ARE USING A REGISTRY FROM OUT OF STATE. WE ARE IN THE STATE OF
10 CALIFORNIA. WE SHOULD SUPPORT OUR OWN ECONOMY. WE SHOULD
11 SUPPORT OUR OWN NURSES WHO CAN WORK IN THE COUNTY. WE ARE
12 BRINGING NURSES FROM OUT OF STATE SO THEY CANNOT COMMUNICATE
13 TO THE MEMBERSHIP AT LARGE WHAT'S REALLY GOING ON AT M.L.K.
14 ALSO, THERE WAS AN ARTICLE IN A VERY-- WOULD BE NICE IF THEY
15 PAY ATTENTION WHEN THE PUBLIC SPEAKS BUT THAT WOULD BE
16 DEMANDING TOO MUCH. IN THE JUNE ISSUE OF MANAGED HEALTHCARE
17 EXECUTIVE, WHICH IS A VERY SERIOUS HEALTHCARE MAGAZINE, IT
18 SHOWS THE 10 TOP PERFORMING HOSPITAL, TEACHING HOSPITALS IN
19 THE COUNTRY. GUESS WHAT'S NUMBER ONE? KING DREW MEDICAL
20 CENTER. WITH A PROFIT MARGIN OF 36.9%. WHAT'S GOING ON? WHERE
21 ALL IS THE MONEY GOING? I'VE SEEN, YOU KNOW, ALAMEDA, AT THE
22 GRAND JURY REVIEW WHAT WAS GOING ON IN HEALTHCARE, I THINK
23 IT'S MAYBE TIME THAT L.A. COUNTY DOES, TOO. I THINK TOO MANY
24 THINGS ARE GOING ON. WE ARE WASTING MONEY BY THE GALLON ON
25 HEALTH AND THE PATIENTS ARE NOT GETTING THE CARE AND ARE



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1 DYING. THE NURSE ON THAT PATIENT WHO HAD THE CLAMP LEFT SHOULD
2 HAVE MADE SURE THAT PATIENT RECEIVES A POST X-RAY. THAT'S WHEN
3 YOU HAVE A TEAM OF NURSES AND PHYSICIANS WORKING TOGETHER, SO
4 A NURSE IS A PATIENT ADVOCATE. SHE SHOULD HAVE MADE SURE THAT
5 X-RAY GOT DONE. THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I APOLOGIZE. MR. WALKER SIGNED
8 UP FOR ITEM 32, EVEN THOUGH IT'S BEEN CONTINUED. DO YOU STILL
9 WANT TO ADDRESS ITEM 32 OR DO YOU WANT TO COME BACK AUGUST
10 3RD?

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12 **MR. WALKER:** I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND YOU. YOU SAYING YES? NO?

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YOU SIGNED UP FOR ITEM 32.

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16 **MR. WALKER:** YES.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ITEM 32 HAS BEEN CONTINUED TO AUGUST
19 3RD. DO YOU WANT TO COME BACK THEN OR DO YOU WANT TO TESTIFY
20 TODAY?

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22 **MR. WALKER:** WELL, I WASN'T GOING TO SAY MUCH ABOUT 32, THAT I
23 JUST DIDN'T AGREE THAT THE SHERIFF SHOULD DO IT, YOU KNOW. YOU
24 KNOW, I MEAN, I'VE CALLED THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT OVER ISSUES
25 AND THEY HAVEN'T RESPONDED WITH-- I WOULD HAVE, LIKE, SAY, AN



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1 ILLEGAL ALIEN PROBLEM AND THE SHERIFF WOULDN'T EVEN RESPOND
2 WHEN WE CALLED. LIKE, IN MY DISTRICT, I HAVE A PERFECT EXAMPLE
3 WOULD BE THE DUNN AND EDWARDS PAINT STORE. I HAVE A GROUP OF
4 ALIENS AND NOW I HEAR THAT THE COUNTY HAS BEEN TOLD THAT IT'S
5 UNCONSTITUTIONAL FOR US TO TELL THEM NOT TO GATHER IN FRONT OF
6 BUSINESSES AND SOLICIT EMPLOYMENT. IS THAT TRUE? I MEAN, IS
7 THIS THE COUNTY'S POSITION ON THIS? WHERE OTHER CITIES HAVE
8 TAKEN A STANCE, BUT THE COUNTY HAS SAID THAT THEY HAVE TAKEN
9 ANOTHER STANCE OF NOT ENFORCING THESE PEOPLE OF SOLICITING
10 WORK IN FRONT OF BUSINESSES, LIKE HOME DEPOT AND THE ONE I'M
11 SPEAKING OF, DUNN AND EDWARDS, WHERE I GOT A GROUP OF
12 UNDOCUMENTED WORKERS, NO IDENTIFICATION, SOLICITING
13 CONTRACTORS FOR JOBS, YOU KNOW, CREATING A GROUP, SOLICITING
14 CUSTOMERS, YOU KNOW. LIKE OTHER CITIES HAVE POSTED SIGNS AND
15 SET UP WORK SITES FOR UNDOCUMENTED WORKERS. YOU KNOW. I
16 JUST...

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WE DON'T HAVE A DIFFERENT POLICY. IN THE
19 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THE...

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21 **MR. WALKER:** WELL, I READ THAT YOU DID.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA, WE HAVE A
24 POLICY AS IT RELATES TO THAT.

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1 **MR. WALKER:** WELL, I READ THAT YOU SAID IT WAS UNCONSTITUTIONAL
2 FOR YOU TO POLICE THIS. I READ IN THE PAPER, LIKE HANDS-OFF,
3 WE'RE NOT GOING TO ARREST THESE PEOPLE FOR SOLICITING IN
4 UNINCORPORATED AREA OF L.A. COUNTY, BUT OTHER CITIES HAVE
5 POSTED SIGNS, YOU KNOW, AND THIS WAS IN THE L.A. TIMES THAT I
6 DIDN'T REALLY HEAR WHAT YOUR POSITION WAS ON SOLICITING
7 PEOPLE. I KNEW IT WAS A COUNTY ORDINANCE AT ONE TIME.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** STILL IS.

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11 **MR. WALKER:** IT STILL IS? WELL, I HAVE A MAJOR PROBLEM, YOU
12 KNOW, AT DUNN AND EDWARDS, YOU KNOW, OF THESE GUYS. I EVEN
13 CALLED DUNN AND EDWARDS. I TOLD THEM, "YOU'RE WELCOME TO CALL
14 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ON THESE PEOPLE STANDING THERE
15 SOLICITING YOUR CUSTOMERS, YOU KNOW, RUNNING INTO YOUR PARKING
16 LOT."

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT'S THE LOCATION?

19

20 **MR. WALKER:** MITCHELINDA AND COLORADO IN THE UNINCORPORATED
21 AREA OF PASADENA, AND IT'S BEEN GOING ON FOREVER. I MEAN,
22 THERE'S NO BATHROOM FACILITIES, THEY'RE URINATING, THEY'RE
23 UNDOCUMENTED WORKERS, THEY'RE SETTING A PRICE WHATEVER THEY
24 WANT AN HOUR. IT'S NOT A DESIGNATED WORK SITE BUT YOU'RE
25 WELCOME TO LOOK AT IT. IT'S A PROBLEM, YOU KNOW? AND WHEN THEY



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1 READ IN THE FAMILY THAT THE COUNTY TOOK ON THIS POSITION OF
2 IT'S UNCONSTITUTIONAL, THAT YOU PEOPLE CAN'T TELL THEM THEY
3 CAN'T FIND WORK AND THESE PEOPLE ARE UNDOCUMENTED WORKERS
4 CREATING THIS-- YOU KNOW, YOU'VE GOT IT EVERYWHERE. MONROVIA,
5 EL MONTE, PASADENA.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** DO YOU WANT TO WRAP IT UP?

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9 **MR. WALKER:** SURE. I MEAN, BUT CERTAINLY MR. BACA HASN'T SHOWN
10 THE ABILITY THAT HE COULD DO THIS. YOU KNOW? I MEAN, HE'S GOT
11 OTHER BLUNDERS THAT HE HASN'T EVEN-- HE'S TOLD YOU HE WAS
12 GOING TO DO AND HE DIDN'T. I CALLED THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
13 YESTERDAY. I TOLD THEM I HAD A PROBLEM WITH SOMEBODY DUMPING
14 SOME TOXIC WASTE. HE CALLED THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, L.A. COUNTY
15 FIRE DEPARTMENT. I WATCHED THEM. THEY CAME, THEY LEFT THE
16 HAZARDOUS MATERIAL ON THE GROUND. YOU KNOW? I HAVEN'T TALKED
17 TO THE CHIEF, THE BATTALION CHIEF.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY TIME'S UP.

20

21 **MR. WALKER:** BUT IT JUST SHOWS YOU THE-- YOU KNOW, TIME AND
22 TIME AGAIN, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT NEEDS TO KNOW L.A. COUNTY
23 ORDINANCES, ESPECIALLY IN MICHAEL'S AREA. I MEAN, NOT MR.
24 BACA, BUT DOWN THROUGH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, EVERY TIME WE



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1 HAVE CALLED THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, IT SEEMS LIKE THEY DON'T
2 KNOW HALF THE COUNTY ORDINANCES.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. IF YOU'LL READ
5 US INTO CLOSED SESSION, PLEASE.

6

7 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** YES, MR. CHAIRMAN. IN ACCORDANCE WITH
8 BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD
9 OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM
10 CS-1, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING
11 LITIGATION, ITEM CS-3, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
12 SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE, ITEM CS-4,
13 INTERVIEW AND CONSIDER CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE
14 POSITION OF COUNTY COUNSEL. ITEM CS-5, CONSIDERATION OF
15 DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS, AND ITEM CS-6,
16 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS, DAVID E. JANSSEN, CHIEF
17 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, AND DESIGNATED STAFF AS INDICATED ON
18 THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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